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ROLL OF HONOUR.

HARE—December 27, 1917, killed in action, GEORGE, Lieutenant Royal Dublin Fusiliers, eldest son of the late Rev. HENRY HARE and Mrs. HELEN HARE, and grandson of the late Rev. George Hare, Chaplain, Royal Hospital, Kilmainham.

MARSH—January 6, 1918, at 4th London General Hospital, Sergeant GEORGE MARSH, Lancers, late T.C.D., died from shell shock. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing wife and children. Funeral 12 a.m. to-morrow (Saturday) from 25 Eustace street. Wexford and Suffolk papers please copy.

STEELE—Missing since October 21, 1917, now reported died of wounds October 22, while a prisoner of war, ROBERT BALFOUR STEELE, M.A., B.Sc., I.C.S., Lieutenant R.F.C., only son of Rev. J. P. Steele, M.A., D.D., Broach, India, and nephew of Mrs. Hilton, St. Andrew's, Bray.

BIRTHS.

BIBBY—January 10, 1918, at 74 Park road, North Birkenhead (her mother's residence), the wife of J. H. Bibby, junior (née Myra Halligan), of a son.

FORSTER—January 5, 1918, at Glensid, Prestwick Park, Manchester, to Dr. and Mrs. R. B. Forster, a daughter.

GREER—January 8, 1918, at Curragh Grange, widow of the late Lieutenant-Colonel ERIC GREER, M.C., Irish Guards, of a daughter.

RUSSELL—January 6, 1918, at 5 Avonmore terrace, Terenure, to Mr. and Mrs. A. S. RUSSELL, a son.

MARRIAGES.

GOUNIHAN AND HOGAN—January 9, 1918, at St. Joseph's, Limerick, by the Rev. John Kelly, S.J., assisted by the Rev. W. Dwane, Adm., St. Michael's, with Nuptial Mass, MAURICE J. COUNIHAN, B.Dent.Sc., T.C.D., son of John F. Counihan, M.D., Kilrush, to HONORIA MARY (NORAH), youngest daughter of JAMES F. HOGAN, Senior Inspector N.S.S., and Mrs. HOGAN, Auburn Villas, Limerick.

HEWITT AND PARSONS—January 2, 1918, at Clontarf Church, by the Rev. John Connell, M.A., Rector, JOHN HENRY HEWITT, Singapore, R.G.A., fifth son of the late Thomas Hewitt, Dangan, Kildare, and of Mrs. Hewitt, Straffan, to ANNIE ISMA, fourth daughter of the late HENRY PARSONS Trim, and of Mrs. PARSONS, The Crescent, Clontarf, Dublin.

SILVER WEDDING.

STUBBS AND KELLY—January 11, 1893, at St. Paul's Church, North King street, by the Rev. Gilbert Mahaffy, GEORGE LEWIS, eldest son of GEORGE HENRY STUBBS, Overseer of Public Works, Phoenix Park, to ANNIE KATHLEEN, elder daughter of JOHN KELLY, 31 Montpelier Hill, Dublin.

DEATHS.

FAUSSET—January 10, 1918, at 71 Lower Leeson street, Dublin, ELIZABETH LETITIA FAUSSET, daughter of the late Rev. William Fausset, aged 81.

FIELDING—January 7, 1918, at Rudgwick, Sussex, HEDLEY VINE FIELDING, B.A., fourth son of the late Major Joshua Fielding, Royal Hospital, Kilmainham, and 51 Rathgar road, Dublin.

GOULD—January 9, 1918, at a Private Hospital, near Dublin, ELLEN LOUISA, the dearly-loved wife of Captain G. J. Gould, late Royal Engineers, of Upwey, Dorchester, and of Sandford Park, Dublin, and daughter of the late Standish O'Grady, Esq., of Aghamarta, Cork. Funeral private.

GREENE—January 10, 1918, at 63 Hollybank road, AGNES, daughter of the late JAMES GREENE, Ferndene, Stradbrooke. R.I.P. Funeral private.

INGLIS—January 9, 1918, at Hampton House, Leinster road, Rathmines, LOUISA, beloved wife of ROBERT MALCOLM INGLIS, and youngest daughter of the late Henry Flavelle, Sandymount, aged 62 years. Private interment to-morrow (Saturday), 9.30 a.m., at Mount Jerome. No flowers.

LEE—January 10, 1918, suddenly, at her residence, "Woongarra," Palmerston road, AGNES JANE (JEANNIE), youngest daughter of the late Thomas H. Lee, M.D., of Dublin. Funeral (private) to Mount Jerome, at 9.30, to-morrow (Saturday) morning.

MACDONNELL—January 9, 1918, IDA LUCY, fourth daughter of the late PATRICK MACDONNELL, M.J.I., Town Clerk, Bray, and Mrs. MACDONNELL, 7 Castlewood Park, Rathmines. R.I.P. Funeral private. No flowers.

MAGEE—January 8, 1918, at Donegal, JOHN H. MAGEE, Solicitor, son of late John Magee, Donegal, and Mrs. Magee, Belfast. Funeral took place yesterday (Thursday).

MILLIGAN—January 8, 1918, at his residence, Drumacahon, Ederney, Co. Fermanagh, WILLIAM MILLIGAN. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing family and numerous friends.

O'BRIEN—January 10, 1918, at Baggot street Hospital, and late of the Station Fruit Stores, Westland Row, ANNIE JOSEPHINE, the dearly-beloved wife of JAMES E. O'BRIEN. Deeply and sincerely regretted. R.I.P. Funeral from St. Andrew's Church, Westland Row, after 10 o'clock Mass, to-morrow (Saturday) morning, for Glasnevin Cemetery.

RIGGS—January 10, 1918, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Saltzer, Woodville, Dundrum, ANNIE, widow of the late WM. RIGGS, Monkstown, aged 86. Funeral strictly private. No flowers, by request.

SPARKES—January 8, 1918, at his residence, Mineview, Avoca, WILLIAM SPARKES. Funeral to-day (Friday) to Old Kilbride Cemetery at 1.30 o'clock.

WHITE—Widow of late PATRICK WHITE, Lismain, mother of Rev. M. White, Galmoy. Office Freshford Church this day (Friday), 11 o'clock. Funeral afterwards to Tulla.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. BOWDEN desire to express their thanks to the many kind friends who sent letters of sympathy to them in their recent sad bereavement, and hope they will accept this acknowledgment as sufficient, as it would be impossible to reply to each one individually.

MONTH'S MIND OFFICE.

There will be a Solemn Office and High Mass for the repose of the soul of the late Mrs. MARY OSBORNE in St. Joseph's Church, Valleymount, Co. Wicklow, on Monday, 14th January, at 11 o'clock. R.I.P.

IN MEMORIAM.

AYLWARD—In loving memory of NORAH GERALDINE, daughter of THOMAS and ANNIE D. AYLWARD, who died 11th January, 1917, aged 20 years.

WALTON-WINTER—In loving remembrance of ALICE E. WALTON-WINTER, who entered into rest January 11th, 1915. "Peace, perfect peace." Inserted by her loving sister and nieces.

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ST. STEPHEN'S GREEN SCHOOL. THIRTY-FIFTH YEAR. Head Master—W. S. CHETWODE CRAWLEY, M.A., Cantab. Schoolhouse—74 and 75 St. Stephen's Green. Playing-fields—Merton Park, Sandford road. Personal inspection of the Schoolhouse and Playing-fields is solicited. On Friday, 11th January, and Monday, 14th January, the Head Master will be in attendance to interview parents between 10 and 12 o'clock, or by appointment. TERM BEGINS TUESDAY, 15th JAN., 1918.

MOREHAMPTON HOUSE, MOREHAMPTON ROAD, DUBLIN. NEXT TERM BEGINS On WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16th. Boarders return on January 15th. Prospectus, etc., on application to the Principals, Miss IRWIN, B.A., and Miss MOLYNEUX. Successors to Miss Wade.

FOXROCK SCHOOL FOR GIRLS AND BOYS. RE-OPENS TUESDAY, JANUARY 15. Boys under 11 years of age received and prepared in all Subjects for Entrance to Public Schools. For particulars apply to Miss N. SWEENY, B.A., Foxrock School, Foxrock, Co. Dublin.

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Porridge as it ought to be is obtained at all times by using RED HAND Baby Flake Oatmeal. The most searching test will only prove its real worth as a health asset to the whole family. Dublin Agent:—H. J. Briscoe, 11 Crow St.

R. CALLOW & SONS. EVINRUDE Portable Stationary Engine, 3 H.P. Weight 47lbs., complete with High Tension Magneto. 6 hours' running per gallon of Petrol. PRICE £22 10/-. 44 WESTLAND ROW.

HORSES.

Wires—"Sewell's, Dublin." Telephone—674. SEWELL'S, DUBLIN. AUCTION AT THE REPOSITORY, ON THURSDAY NEXT, JAN. 17th, Commencing at 2.30 o'clock. Entry Forms on application. SEWELL, SON & SIMPSON (LTD.) AUCTIONEERS.

EDUCATION.

A.M.D.G. CLONGOWES WOOD COLLEGE, S.J., SALLINS. CLASSES RESUME MONDAY, 14th JANUARY, 1918, IN PREPARATORY SCHOOL AND HIGHER SCHOOL. On that day Masters will accompany the Boys returning by the trains leaving:—

Kingsbridge at 2 p.m. and	5.35 p.m.
Cork at	12.48 p.m.
Belfast at	10. 0 a.m.
Galway at	7.40 a.m.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE ATTENDED TO IN STRICT ORDER OF PRIORITY. For Terms apply Rev. N. J. TOMKIN, S.J.

PORTORA ROYAL SCHOOL, ENNISKILLEN. FOUNDED 1618. Chairman of Board—The Lord Bishop of Clogher. Boarders Return THURSDAY, JAN. 17th. For Prospectus, Fees, etc., apply Rev. E. G. SEALE, M.A., Headmaster.

FOYLE COLLEGE, LONDONDERRY. School will Re-open on MONDAY, 14th JANUARY. Boarders are to Return on that day. Prospectus, Terms for Boarders, List of Distinctions Free. R. F. DILL, M.A., Headmaster.

GALWAY GRAMMAR SCHOOL. RICH Endowments. Modern Laboratory. Grand healthy situation in large grounds. First-class Education for University, Woolwich, Sandhurst, and other Examinations. School will RE-OPEN THURSDAY, 17th JANUARY. Apply for Prospectus to Headmaster, ALEX. ERAUT, M.A.

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BELLEVUE HOUSE SCHOOL, SUTTON. SCHOOL WILL RE-OPEN On MONDAY, 14th JANUARY. Principals will be at home to see Parents, 3 to 5 p.m., on 14th, 15th, and 16th.

PREPAID SCALE OF CHARGES (REVISED).

Lost and Found, Situations Vacant, Domestics, etc., Wanted, Articles for Sale and Wanted, Educational and Schools, Houses, Apartments, Miscellaneous, and other Departments of Classified Small Advertisements. For each insertion of 12 words, 9d. Every succeeding word One Halfpenny. Discount for Series—A Discount of 10 per cent. will be allowed when a series of twelve or more insertions is prepaid. All seeking Employment will be allowed Four Insertions for the Price of Three. Office address counts as three words; if replies are to be called for or when they are to be sent by post, as five words.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST, Sunday morning, January 6, along Killester lane and Howth road to Clontarf Parish Church, platinum bar Brooch, diamond, pearl and sapphire cluster; finder rewarded.—Peel, Killester Abbey, Artane. D

LOST, Monday, Fountain Pen, in case. Reward 18 Grosvenor place, Rathmines. D

LOST on Sunday night last, small Gold Wristlet Watch. Finder rewarded at 42 Harcourt st. D

LADY'S (right hand) Grey Reindeer Glove dropped in Grafton st., Wednesday afternoon. Will finder please leave at Laird's.

LOST, Wednesday, between 3-6 o'clock, between Leinster House and Standard Hotel, Pearl Brooch (new moon). Reward Standard Hotel.

LOST, Tuesday, Drumcondra, two Ten Shilling Treasury Notes; reward.—M 1514, this office.

LOST, Tuesday 8th, Pair of Tortoiseshell Pince-nez; reward.—Hayes, Willow Bank, Kingstown.

LOST or Strayed, in or coming from Market, 10th inst., Sheep; red raddle straight down nose. Reward E. McGuirk, Victualler, Terenure.

LOST, between Merrion square and Baggot st., small Fancy Case, containing scissors, thimble. Reward, 45 Lower Baggot st.

LOST, Wednesday afternoon, Dalkey tram, small Leather Purse, containing money. Reward, Bayview, Harbour road, Sandycove.

LOST, Thursday, January 10th, Roan Bullock, brand "K," on hip, vicinity of Cabra; also Cheviot Wether, brand "E.C."; same vicinity, on 2nd January. Reward given at 29 Blackhall st.—Hickey and Co.

10/- REWARD—Lost, 9th inst., from 164 Rathgar road, a brown and white Persian Cat.

SITUATIONS VACANT.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION. Forthcoming Examination. Woman Clerks in certain Public Departments (18-20), 14th March. The date specified is the latest at which applications can be received. They must be made on forms to be obtained, with particulars, from the Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Burlington Gardens, London, W.

ABSOLUTE Security Granted to all persons in Positions of Trust by The Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation, Ltd.; subscribed capital, £1,000,000. T. N. and N. S. Smith, 43 Dame st., Dublin. T

APPOINTMENTS for Ladies—There are at present hundreds of Appointments for Lady Clerks, but in the majority of cases a knowledge of Shorthand, Typewriting, Bookkeeping, and Office Routine is necessary. SKERRY'S SCHOOL OF COMMERCIAL TRAINING, 10 HARCOURT STREET, DUBLIN, will fit you for a position in the shortest possible time and at the minimum expense. Over 350 Commercial Appointments have been obtained by Lady Students of this School since January, 1915. Call, write, or 'phone 1908A for Prospectus.

ASYLUM Attendant—Wanted, experienced unmarried Man for post of Charge Attendant; must be certificated M.P.A.; exceptional references and have had experience of similar work in recognised institution; wages £60 per annum, board and uniform. Apply M 1515, this office.

ACTIVE Lad Wanted for Club Kitchen, from 4 a.m. to 8 a.m. daily. Reference to M 1530, this office.

AN educated Lady Wanted as Office Assistant; ordinary qualifications; progressive salary. Interview Miss Bellingham, Dame, 5 Grafton st.

A GENERAL Assistant required at Esplanade Hotel, Bray; previous experience not necessary; good salary to suitable applicant.

BOY, intelligent, Protestant, Wanted for Workshop; weekly start; references.—M 1510, this office.

BUILDER'S Yardman Wanted; able to store timber and plant and work mortar mill; permanent job; state age, experience, wages.—M 1497, this office.

CLERK—Wanted, Youth, knowledge accounts or shorthand; state age, salary expected.—M 1365, this office.

CABINET Trade—Wanted immediately, first class Spindle Hand, also good quick Fitter-up; highest wages in the trade to suitable men; state age and experience in similar work. Address "Z 2409, Hand," this office.

CHARGE Hand Wanted, also Second Hand, Grocery and Provision Business; city.—M 1442, this office.

CINEMA Operating Wanted, thoroughly experienced Man for Dublin; state salary required and full particulars.—M 1525, this office.

DRESSMAKERS Wanted, good machinists and workers, for the city. Apply by letter to M 397, this office.

ELECTRICIAN or Handy Man Wanted for City Factory; experience in wiring essential; constant employment for suitable man; state age, experience, wages expected.—M 1409, this office.

FLORIST Apprentice—Wanted, smart young girl; high class trade, city; no fee required.—M 1377, this office.

GENTLEWOMAN required in country house (servants kept) to do housekeeping, needlework, and other light duties; I.C., cyclist. Address "Z 2300, Housekeeper," this office.

HOUSEKEEPER, Working, for Business House; general kept. Apply C. W. McDonogh, 25-27 Main st., Bray.

HARDWARE, Seeds—Assistant Wanted, provincial town. Address stating experience, religion, and salary expected (indoor), "Z 2505, Assistant," this office.

SITUATIONS CONTINUED.

HOTEL Staff—Ireland, Lady Superintendent diploma cooking, carving, H'keeper, £30, rising; Stillroom, K'maid, Porter, Scotland, Chef, £3, rising; Waitress, £20, chances; General Boys, £20, chances; H'maids, £20, England—Barmaid 25, weekly; H'maids, £20, chances; K'maid, £30—5 South Frederick st.

INSURANCE Junior Clerk, one with some experience, for Tariff Company. Apply, stating age and experience (replies treated in confidence).—M 1532, this office.

KNITTERS—Wanted, experienced Machine Knitters to re-foot and knit socks and stockings. Apply E. Scott Cooper, 5 South King st., Dublin.

LADY required as Companion—Housekeeper for widower's household; good manager, capable, energetic, needlewoman; fond of walking.—Mrs. Kenyon, Tyrleigh, Marlborough.

LADY, with some business experience, required to assist at Keeping Accounts, quiet country business, must be refined and educated; full particulars.—M 1490, this office.

LAUNDRY Superintendent—Wanted, a Lady to take charge of Laundry and Disinfecting Department; salary £50, and £5 for uniform. Apply by letter, with reference, stating age, to Lady Superintendent, Cork street Hospital, Dublin.

MEN required for Copper Smelting Works in Lancashire; permanent job for good men; shift work, 74 hours per week; wages: mixers (skilled) 114, per hour, furnacemen 1/- per hour; no persons already engaged on Government work will be engaged; travelling warrant issued. Apply nearest Employment Exchange, mentioning No. A 4097.

MILLINERY and General Sales—Wanted, a young Lady who thoroughly understands the business. Address, giving reference and salary expected (indoor), "Z 2463, Lady," this office.

MAN Wanted, with knowledge of Baking, for Soldiers' Home, Limerick; must be T.T.; have good references.

NAMES of Prizewinners in the Christmas Message Competition are published in the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day. Price Three Halfpence.

PRINTING—Machine Minder, permanency; wages 50s. week and 1/3 per hour overtime. Apply Joseph Wones, Walsall st., West Bromwich, England.

PRINTING—Compositor, permanency; wages 50s. per week and 1/3 per hour overtime. Apply Joseph Wones, Walsall st., West Bromwich, England.

PIANIST Wanted, good sight reader; picture experience necessary. Apply Masterpiece, Talbot st.

REQUIRED immediately, for Club, good Waitress; young Housemaid. Apply, enclosing copies of references, W. S., Irish Times Office, Kingstown.

SAWYERS Wanted for Home Grown Timber, band and rack bench; state wages and experience.—R. Armstrong, Saw Mills, Manorhamilton.

SEED Trade—Strong Lad Wanted as Apprentice by a wholesale house; also Junior Invoice Clerk.—M 1396, this office.

SAWYER Wanted; thorough knowledge of sawing machinery and capable of working a band mill saw. Address "Z 2444, Sawyer," this office.

STATIONERY and Fancies—Wanted, a young Lady who is capable of taking charge of this branch, and has a thorough knowledge of the business; address, giving reference and salary expected, "Z 2464, Lady," this office.

STATIONERY—Wanted, qualified Male Assistant for Retail Counter. Send copies testimonials, state experience, and salary expected.—M 1225, this office.

THE Mansfield Sisters, Wicklow st., require a smart Girl Apprentice to Millinery Workroom.

WANTED, first class Jam Boiler, able to make good pulps. Apply to T. E. Davies, Pixley Court, Ledbury. 12 29

WANTED immediately, for Boots, smart Junior Salesman; state salary required and religion, and send references. Address "Z 2311, Salesman," this office.

WANTED, at once, smart young Lady as Milliner, able to trim and copy models, etc.; send references, state salary (indoor) and religion. Address "Z 2310, Milliner," this office.

WANTED immediately, well educated young Girl, after leaving school, as Apprentice to Bookkeeping; send copy reference and state religion to "Z 2309, Apprentice," this office.

WANTED immediately, smart young Man as Charge of Gent's Outfitting Department; send reference and state religion and salary expected (indoor), "Z 2313, Man," this office.

WANTED, at once, respectable Boy Apprentice to Drapery Trade; send reference and state religion. Address "Z 2312, Boy," this office.

WATCHMAKER—Wanted, a good Workman; state wages.—O'Connor, Jeweller, Clonmel.

WANTED, a good Strong Smith; must understand bloodstock and hunters, and be well recommended.—Smithwick, Balinlough, Thomastown.

WANTED, at once, several well trained Nurses. Apply Matron, Private Hospital, Sligo.

WANTED, young Girl, I.C., as Mother's Help, able to do light housework; must be well recommended.—M 1343, this office.

WANTED, Assistant Matron (Protestant) for Rescue Home Packing Room and help in house. Reply, with copies of testimonials, "Z 2417, Matron," this office.

WANTED, a competent, trustworthy young Lady as Mother's Help, to help with children; I.C.; wages moderate; good home; maid kept. Address "Z 2411, Help," this office.

WANTED, for country place, respectable Protestant Girl as Mother's Help, to take charge of three children, youngest nine months. Send references to Mrs. Percy Scott, Kilbrittain, Co. Cork.

WANTED, smart LAD, about 15 years of age, for workshop in the city; must be willing and have good references.—M 1413, this office.

WANTED immediately, Protestant Valet, Attendant; single, total abstainer, for case paralysis, slightly mental case; discharged soldier (R.A.M.C.), naval or police pensioner (young), or asylum attendant would suit; wages £50, indoor; state age, etc. Address "Z 2490, Valet," this office.

WANTED, Dressmaker to take CHARGE of Workroom; must be experienced in cutting and fitting. Apply R. Proctor, The Diamond, Enniskillen.

WANTED, Mother's Help, R.C., two little girls; make herself generally useful; needlewoman; maid kept. State age and wages required; send copies references to Mrs. P. D. Daly, Ballinrobe.

WANTED, Lady Housekeeper (Protestant); 2 in family; comfortable house; no washing. State salary and full particulars to Box No. 418, Irish Times Branch Office, Belfast.

WANTED, Invoice CLERK (male) for city house; state age, experience, and wages. Also Shorthand Typist (female); experienced.—M 1511, this office.

WANTED, experienced Oatmeal MILLER, complete charge; house, garden, milk, potatoes, etc.; permanent position; suitable man. Address "Z 2441, Miller," this office.

WANTED, Lady Help, young; housework; care invalid; state salary. Address "Z 2485, Lady Help," this office.

WANTED, Practical Milliner as Charge of Workroom; also competent Saleswoman for Millinery Warehouse (city, South); copy reference, experience, salary (outdoor). Address "Z 2503, Milliner," this office.

YOUNG Lady, R.C., Wanted, Mother's Help, look after children; assist with home lessons and music; also with management good hotel; moderate salary; housemaid kept. Address "Z 2326, Help," this office.

REPRESENTATIVES WANTED.

AGENTS Wanted to Sell Profitable Goods of every kind; Catalogues free.—May, 193 George st., Birmingham. T

CORK Trade—Agents Wanted in several districts of Ireland; good terms and prospects to well connected men. Address "Z 2478, Agents," this office.

THE Remington Typewriter Company have a vacancy for a smart Lady Town Traveller; salary and commission. Personal application, 10 to 12 noon, at 8 D'Olier st., necessary.

WANTED, by well known London Firm, doing business in Dublin, Traveller, with knowledge of Fine Art; suitable applicant liberally treated.—M 1484, this office.

LEGAL.

GIRL Typist Wanted for Copying Office, accustomed to legal work; state age, experience, and salary.—M 1231, this office.

SUCCESSFUL Country Solicitor, under 40, wishing to reside in Dublin, is anxious to acquire Business, or Partnership, with a view to acquiring sole interest. Address "Z 2459, Partnership," this office.

WANTED, Solicitor in Dublin or Provinces willing to take Apprentice. Apply, stating fee, M 1443, this office.

MEDICAL.

ASSISTANT required, 4 or 5 years' experience, provincial town; £36, indoor; state full particulars. Address "Z 2445, Medical," this office.

BOY Wanted to learn best class Mechanical Dentistry.—M 1296, this office.

DENTAL Engine Wanted, secondhand.—M 1321, this office.

PHARMACEUTICAL Chemist Wanted to Manage City Business; state age, salary (outdoor), experience, etc.—M 1400, this office.

PHARMACEUTICAL Exams.—Work resumed Monday, 14th. Prospectus, terms, etc., on application. J. A. Ray, B.A., M.P.S.I., 34 South Frederick st.

SURGEON Dentist in high class practice has a vacancy for an Apprentice to learn Mechanical Dentistry; state age and education.—M 1317, this office.

SMART Junior Wanted by City Chemist. Assistants' Association Members not employed. Address "Z 2453, Junior," this office.

SENIOR Assistant (unqualified) required for Pharmacy in large provincial town (South); outdoor; state age, salary, experience, and when disengaged. Address "Z 2300, Assistant," this office.

WANTED, Assistant immediately, indoor, Dublin Medical Hall.—M 1425, this office.

WANTED to Purchase, Chemist's or Druggist's Business; must bear investigation; confidential.—M 1494, this office.

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

AMBITIOUS young Man, with a thorough and practical experience of Accountancy and Bookkeeping, is desirous of obtaining better position, with prospects. Address "Z 2347, Accountant," this office.

EMPLOYMENT WANTED CONTINUED.

AS Probationer Nurse—Young Girl, two years' experience, seeks position; highest reference.—M 1392, this office.

ADVERTISER, who is Chief Clerk in city Firm, would keep a set of books or undertake other suitable evening work.—M 1501, this office.

A MOST respectable country Girl would go as Mother's Help, or General to small private family; can be highly recommended. Address "Z 2508, Girl," this office.

CLERK, 14 years' experience general office routine and accounts, at present engaged with shipping concern in Irelands accessibility, desires change; willing to cleanse.—M 1368, this office.

EX-HEAD Constable, R.I. Constabulary, just pensioned, available for employment of trust in city.—M 1171, this office.

EVENINGS—Gentleman would Check Accounts, do Office Secretarial Work; moderate.—M 1390, this office.

ENERGETIC Man seeks employment, any capacity; fair knowledge machinery (lathe work); first class instructor Swedish drill, boxing, swimming; slight experience despatch clerk.—M 1438, this office.

FARMER'S Daughter, R.C., 18, requires position as Shop Assistant; no previous experience; well educated; highest references; cash security. Apply Miss B. M'Keon, Ballivor, Co. Meath.

GOOD Sewer would do Mending, Knitting, Crocheting, or Make Up Blouses, Underclothing, or Children's Dresses at patron's; also Fancy Work; spare time will be devoted to Red Cross and Missionary work. Address "Z 2447, Sewer," this office.

GENTLEMAN wishes occupation in country, farming, estate work, or clerical; thoroughly competent, active, married, no family; cottage and garden; small salary. Address "Z 2405, Gentleman," this office.

INVALID Attendant, go House Parlourmaid in small family; R.C.; good papers.—M 1512, this office.

LADY wishes engagement Companion Housekeeper to Invalid Lady. Address "Z 2298, Housekeeper," this office.

LADY desires post, Companion Help; thorough knowledge of all household duties; musical. Address "Z 2391, Companion," this office.

LADY, domesticated, offers her services where servant kept, or help for rough work. Address "Z 2449, Lady," this office.

MIDDLEAGED Country Widow wants situation, where she could have son, age 13, near good R.C. school; plain cooking, dairy, housekeeping; recommended.—M 1399, this office.

NURSE Attendant, Housekeeper, companionable, young; excellent testimonials; moderate.—M 1440, this office.

PROVISION and Grocery Assistant—Experienced Man disengaged; highly recommended; city or country.—M 1337, this office.

RESPECTABLE Girl seeks situation as Useful Help in nice business family. Reply, stating wages, to "Z 2488, Help," this office.

SHORTHAND Typist and Accountant—Lady, long experience of each, disengaged. Address "Z 2438, Typist," this office.

TIMEKEEPER, Checker, Storekeeper, Cost, Wages, or Pay Clerk in manufacturing concern, works, factory or with building contractors—Steady, experienced Man wants job; capable, reliable, and efficient in the discharge of duties; excellent testimonials as to character and abilities and first class references.—M 1359, this office.

WAREHOUSE Clerk, 34 years present position, capable of taking charge, desires change. Address "Z 2507, Clerk," this office.

WANTED, by a Lady, post as Companion or Housekeeper; understands cooking, etc.; accustomed children. Address "Z 2450, Companion," this office.

WANTED, position as Clerk; thorough knowledge of railway, shipping, and carrying business; 12 years' all round experience; good references.—M 1474, this office.

YOUNG Lady of very good family, R.C., musical, desires position as Companion to lady (young preferred) of good social standing. Address "Z 2388," this office.

YOUNG Housekeeper seeks position, city or country town, business house. Address "Z 2427, Housekeeper," this office.

YOUNG Lady desiring change seeks engagement as Bookkeeper or Assistant Housekeeper; presently employed in first class hotel; highest references. Address "Z 2412, Bookkeeper," this office.

YOUNG Lady, Protestant, attend delicate lady, light housework, or Help where maid kept; suburbs; £20.—R O 604, Irish Times Office, Rathmines.

YOUNG Girl, small experience, go as Mother's Help; highly recommended.—M 1473, this office.

YOUNG Lady, finished training, seeks position as Junior Shorthand Typist (100 words).—R O 615, Irish Times Office, Rathmines.

YOUNG Man, 23, five years' clerical experience, seeks re-engagement as same, or as Representative or Collector; judicious and tactful; security if necessary.—1358, Irish Times Office, Blackrock.

£5 OFFERED to anyone that will secure nice position for young Lady Shorthand Typist; has good experience of office work; can be well recommended.—M 1448, this office.

MALES WANTED.

A RESPECTABLE Boy, about 14, Wanted for country; Protestant; work in house and garden; must have good character. Apply Greene, Millbrook, Magoney, Co. Kildare.

BUTLER Valet required for London and Ireland, ineligible for Army, R.C., who can look after clothes well and who can cook; strict abstainer; best references required; state wages. Address "Z 2436, Valet," this office.

CAPABLE, dependable Couple for small house in Belfast; 3 in family; washing given out; Wife must be good cook; Husband able to make himself generally useful in house; wages £60.—Box No. 417, Irish Times Branch Office, Belfast.

MAN and Wife (capable cook) Wanted, to undertake entire work of house. Apply, by letter, enclosing copies, papers, Miss Irwin, Leixlip, Slichester road, Glenageary.

PIG Man required to take charge herd of pedigree sows; married, experienced, and good disposition essential; house and garden; state wages and full particulars.—A. M. O'Mara, Mulkear Lodge, Limerick. S 11

WANTED, General Man, R.C., for hotel yard and garden, work small electric plant; state wages expected. Address "Z 2327, General," this office.

WANTED, General Farm Hand (Protestant) for North of Ireland; good terms. Apply David Neill, Land Steward, Lower Strabane, Gilford, Co. Down.

WANTED, a Herd. Reply giving particulars, stating age, religion, "Z 2373, Herd," this office.

WANTED immediately, good General Man, care pony and trap, cow, and garden, cut up timber for the use of house, and make himself generally useful; state wages expected; indoor. Address "Z 2359, Man," this office.

WANTED, for Dairy Business, steady Man, milk and deliver; early riser. Apply with reference, Luke Duffy, Rivermount, Finglas, Co. Dublin.

WANTED immediately, a good Ploughman and General Farm Labourer; must be married and well recommended; wife able to milk and help with dairy, would be employed as herd and milker. Send papers, stating wages expected, to Mrs. Uniacke, Mount Uniacke, Killeagh, Co. Cork.

MALES CONTINUED.

WANTED, General Man, married, Protestant; strict T.T.; must be good milker, and understand farm work and plain gardening; without encumbrance or with grown children. Address "Z 2472, Man," this office.

WANTED, Stable Helper, drive single, strictly sober and reliable, know city, country place; send copies of discharges, stating age and height. Address "Z 2448, Helper," this office.

WANTED, Butler and good General Plain Cook, married, do work small, convenient house; no rough work; send copies, state age, wages. Address "Z 2482, Butler," this office.

WANTED, Farm Labourer, right man, residence; married, Irish Church. Address "Z 2485, Labourer," this office.

WANTED, Man, drive, care pony, trap, with a knowledge of motor, garden, single, R.C., strict T.T.; make himself generally useful. Apply, sending copies discharges and wages expected, to "Z 2490, Man," this office.

WANTED, good Stable Lad, able to mind stallion, break young horses, look after blood mares, must ride well; married man would suit.—Richard Hope, Kilpoole, Wicklow.

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS WANTED.

FORESTER—Wanted, competent Man to undertake a considerable amount of replanting; must have first class references and a successful record; state age, salary expected, etc. Address "Z 2207, Forester," this office. 12 5

WANTED, good Working Gardener and Wife; no incumbrance. Reply, sending copies discharges, M 1167, this office.

WANTED, Working Gardener; care pony and trap, milk one cow, and make himself generally useful; married, no incumbrance; house, milk, and two tons coal; send copies discharges and wages expected. Gradwell, Brook Lodge, Fermoy.

WANTED, for Co. Kilkenny, Journeyman Gardener or Improver. Apply, stating particulars, wages expected, with bothy and allowances, "Z 2371, Gardener," this office.

WANTED, strong young Man, serve as Garden Labourer. Apply Grosvenor Gardens, Harold's Cross.

WANTED, Working Foreman for Provincial Nursery, accustomed to charge of men; state wages and copies testimonials. Address "Z 2499, Foreman," this office.

WANTED, a young, active Working Gardener for Co. Galway; must know his business and have good references. Address "Z 2495, Gardener," this office.

MALES DISENGAGED.

AS Waiter, 35, single, hotel, restaurant experience; excellent references.—M 1469, this office. B

BUTLER (R.C.), married, disengaged February 4th; thoroughly recommended. Address "Z 2508, Butler," this office. E

BOY, 20, R.C., seeks situation as General Boy to work in kitchen, yard, and garden; well recommended. Address "Z 2361, Boy," this office. F

CARETAKER, General Farm Hand, good ploughman, age 45, soon disengaged. Address "Z 2425, Caretaker," this office. F

DISCHARGED N.C.O. seeks situation, Gamekeeper or similar position; life experience, married, Protestant; good discharges. Address "Z 2348, Gamekeeper," this office. E

GENERAL Farm Hand seeks employment; understands motors; strict T.T.; married; R.C.; highest references; state wages. Address "Z 2465, Man." B

GENERAL Man, Gardener; drive, milk, farm work, machinery; two boys, able to work.—Croughwell, O'Brien's Bridge, Co. Clare.

HERD, R.C., life experience, married, no family.—Herd, 7 Gerald Griffin st., Limerick. E

HERD, young, active, married; life experience; highly recommended; state terms. Address "Z 2374, Herd," this office. F

PLOUGHMAN, married, understands all farming work. Address "Z 2501, Ploughman," this office.

YARD or General Man, can plough, drive if required; wife dairy, Plain Cook; middle aged, no family. R.C.; highly recommended.—M 1228, this office. E

YOUNG, discharged Wounded Soldier, Protestant, wants situation, Valet; care horse or motor; good references.—Nason, Rathcormac, Co. Cork. B

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS DISENGAGED.

ACTIVE, strong Boy wants Garden or Farm work; excellent reference.—M 1423, this office. E

LADY desires post as Gardener or Under Gardener. Apply Noone's, Stationers, Kingstown. F

PLAIN Gardener and General Man, young, wishes situation (indoor); good papers.—M 1236, this office. E

POSITION Wanted by a thoroughly experienced, energetic and fully qualified Estate Steward; good forester and clerk of works; splendid references; disengaged February 15th; Ulster Protestant; terms £100, £120, with usual allowances. Address "Z 2504, Steward," this office.

TRUSTWORTHY, reliable, educated Man, life experience farming, all stock, horse expert, requires engagement; excellent references.—M 1179, this office. F

DOMESTICS WANTED.

MATRON, "Irish Times," has Vacancies for all classes of Servants at good wages; also for young Girls wishing to be trained. Registry Office free to Servants on insertion of Advertisements. No fee. Apply immediately to the REGISTRY OFFICE, 31 WESTMORELAND STREET. T

A USEFUL Maid Wanted by Lady visiting in quiet house with two children; Protestant; sew and cut out, help with two children; state age and wages expected; copies. Address "Z 2356, Maid," this office.

A SMART respectable Girl Wanted as Hall Parlourmaid, also young General, with good knowledge of plain cooking. Call to-day 84 Ranelagh road, 12 to 2, or after 6 evening.

ANY number Wanted, Cooks, Cook Generals, Parlourmaids, H'maids, H. P'maids, Kitchen, Scullerymaids, Generals. Apply now—Miss M'Caul's, 10 Duke st.

ALL classes Cooks, Cook Generals, H'maids, P'maids Wanted; interviews, Bellingham Todd, 5 Grafton st.

BETWEENMAID Wanted for three months, house and pantry. Good papers, stating age, wages, Kilpatrick, Celbridge, Co. Kildare.

DAILY Servant Wanted. Apply, after 4, 24 Cherryfield avenue, Sandford road.

EXPERIENCED and well recommended Servants of all classes should communicate with the Matron, "Irish Times" Registry Office, Westmoreland st., who has always vacancies on her books. T

GIRL Wanted, help housework; no washing, cooking, or scrubbing; recommended.—34 Pembroke road.

DOMESTICS CONTINUED.

RESPECTABLE Girl, R.C., Wanted, (cooking, washing; help with children; £14.—M 1447, this office.

WORKING Housekeeper Wanted, provincial town, near Dublin; small family, light washing; state age, wages expected, reference, etc. Address "Z 2387," this office.

WORKING Housekeeper, experience of business houses; maid kept; Protestant. Address "Z 2451," this office.

WORKING Housekeeper (Protestant) Wanted by clergyman, country. Particulars, and salary expected, to "Clericus," Irish Times Office, Kingstown.

WANTED, a young Girl for Housework four or five days a week, from nine till five.—1 Leinster square, Rathmines.

WANTED immediately, for quiet country place, six miles from station, 20 minutes' walk from church and chapel; must have long papers. Address "Z 2476, Domestic," this office.

WANTED (near Galway) strong, clean Girl; wash, cook; £14; copies papers.—Moffett, Galway.

WANTED, for public school, Dublin, a respectable Protestant Hallmaid, age 25 to 35; no washing or scrubbing; soldier's widow or others like this might suit. Reply, with copies of papers, M 1235, this office.

WANTED Girl, for domestic work few hours daily; must be recommended; Rathmines district.—R O 616, Irish Times Office, Rathmines.

WANTED, Dormitory, Pantrymaid, gentlemen's college, Co. Dublin. Lady, 3, 9 Grafton st.

WANTED, several young Cook Generals; £18-£24.—Blackwood's, 41 Lower Mount st.

WANTED, experienced Kitchenmaid, £24. Betweenmaid, £16.—Blackwood's Office, 41 Lr. Mount st.

YOUNG country Girl Wanted, able to milk, early riser, North side city.—M 1280, this office.

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YOUNG Person Wanted (widow or single), to wash floors; state salary, reference, wages.—M 1476, this office.

COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS WANTED.

CAN a Lady recommend superior Protestant Farmer's Daughter to train as Cook? must have some experience. Address "Z 2491, Cook," this office.

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GOOD Cook, small dairy. Apply to Mrs. Osburne, Glanville, Galway, with copies testimonials, and stating wages required.

REQUIRED, good Plain Cook for country hotel. Apply to-day, with references, 55 Dame st., 4 o'clock.

WANTED, a Cook General for a family of two; wages £26, an early riser; no washing of linen; age 30 to 40; housemaid kept.—Mrs. Smith, 372 Lytham road, Blackpool, England.

WANTED immediately, a good, plain, singlehanded Cook, family small; wages from £20 to £24. Send copies to Miss Fogarty, Dublin st., Carlow.

WANTED, good Cook, not under 27; small dairy, fowl; early riser, and small washing. Send copies and wages expected. Address "Z 2325, Cook," this office.

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WANTED, Good Cook, singlehanded; small family; house parlourmaid and nurse kept; must be well recommended. Answer Mrs. E. Scrivan, Rockfort House, Balbriggan.

WANTED, Cook General, country place; £18; washing, poultry; two other maids kept.—Mrs. Enraght-Moony, The Doon, Athlone.

WANTED, experienced Cook General, clean in work and person, age from 25 30, all duties; references required.—Bridcoose, 23 Albert road, Southport, England.

WANTED, for County Louth, early in February, good young Cook; do dining room; wages £24 and laundry, insurance paid. Send copies testimonials to "Z 2457, Cook," this office.

WANTED, Cook, £18, breadmaker; House Parlourmaid, £16, R.C., Galway. Address "Z 2470, Cook," this office.

WANTED, for Co. Galway, Good Plain Cook, good bread maker; wages £20, all found; religion R.C. Address "Z 2467, Cook," this office.

WANTED, Cook General, four in family, quiet country place; small dairy, fowl, and some washing. Address "Z 2456, Cook," this office.

WANTED, country Girl, Cook General; small washing; send copies discharges.—Wade, Belcamp, Raheny.

WANTED, young Cook General and House Parlourmaid, for country, three in family; state wages and send copies.—M 1486, this office.

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GENERAL SERVANTS WANTED.

A STRONG young country Girl Wanted immediately as General; only two in family.—Mrs. Dooley, Corbetstown, Edenderry.

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A YOUNG General Wanted, to return with lady to London. Apply 62 Dartmouth square, Leeson Park, Dublin.

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EXPERIENCED General required; good plain cook; £16-£18. Apply to-day, 3-5, 44 Northumberland road.

GENERAL Wanted in England; must be well recommended; a thoroughly reliable young woman; will be assured of a comfortable home, every care, and good wages; fare and other travelling expenses will be paid. Apply personally to the Matron, "Irish Times" Registry Office, Westmoreland st., Dublin.

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GOOD General, £25, plain cooking, good references; small family; near London.—Mrs. Ewart, Jessamine, Mill Hill, Middlesex.

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APARTMENTS CONTINUED.

GOOD class House offered Paying Guest, South side; no others; £2 weekly.—R O 606, Irish Times.

GENTLEMAN can have comfortable Apartments; board optional; select, moderate.—110 Tritonville.

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HOUSES TO LET AND WANTED.

BELFAST RESIDENTS.

APARTMENTS TO LET AND WANTED.

FOR HOTELS AND BOARDING HOUSES SEE PAGE 1.

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1 quart water.
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1 oz. yeast.

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Sprinkle the oatmeal into th... ing water and boil gently ... minutes; mix the yeast an... together till creamed; add ...

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The National Literary Society.—The ... Dora Sigerson-Shorter, a Vice-Preside... ational Literary Society of Ireland, and ... its respected President, caused the post... its annual conversazione, which was to ... night in Dublin.

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"MY LADY'S DRESS."

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Professor Renaud's Famous String Orchestra.
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IN AID OF THE FUNDS OF THE ORPHANAGE,
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On THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING.
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MR. CLYDE TWELVETREES.
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Arranged by Miss EYKYN-WARD,
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Prizes will be given for the best costumes.
VERSO NAPPER'S BAND
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PUBLIC NOTICES.

RAILWAY AND CANAL TRAFFIC ACT, 1888.

MIDLAND GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY OF IRELAND COMPANY.

NOTICE OF INCREASE OF RATES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888, and the Order of the Board of Trade thereunder, dated 25th day of January, 1889, that the undermentioned of the Rates, published in the books required by Act of Parliament to be kept for public inspection, will be increased to the extent and in the manner undermentioned, and that the altered Rates are to come into force on the 1st day of February, 1918. This Notice also applies to the Railways leased or worked, or jointly owned, leased, or worked by the Midland Great Western Railway of Ireland.

This intimation is given solely in consequence of the demand made upon the above Railway Company by the Steamship Owners, whose increased expenses are such as necessitate additional remuneration for the sea journey.

M. F. KEOGH, General Manager.
Dated the 11th day of January, 1918.

ALTERATION OF RATES.
1. THROUGH RATES for Merchandise Traffic between Stations on the Railways of the above-named Company, on the one hand, and the Ports of Ayr, Glasgow, Greenock, Silloth, and Stations on the Caledonian Railway, Glasgow and South-Western Railway, and North British Railway, on the other hand, as follows:—
Rates not exceeding 18/9 per ton... Increase per ton, 1/8.
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For further particulars, Forms, etc., apply to THE REGISTRAR, St. Patrick's Hospital, James's street, Dublin.

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KINGSTOWN PAVILION.
3.30 TO 10.30 CONTINUOUS, 3.30 TO 10.30.
Our sincere apologies to our many Patrons who were disappointed yesterday through the non-arrival of
A JUST DECEPTION,
In which is Starred Augustus Yorke and Robert Leonard, of "POTASH and PERLMUTTER" Fame.
This Film will be shown To-day and To-morrow At 4 o'clock, 6.15, and 8.30 sharp.
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PARAMOUNT TRAVELS, PATHE GAZETTE, And Full Programme. Orchestral Music from 7 o'c.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE

MUNSTER AND LEINSTER BANK, LIMITED.

TO BE PRESENTED AT THE SIXTY-FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS, To be Held at THE HEAD OFFICE, SOUTH MALL, CORK, On TUESDAY, the Twenty-second Day of JANUARY, 1918.

The Directors herewith submit to the Shareholders a Statement of the Bank's affairs for the Half-year ended 31st December, 1917, with a Copy of the Auditors' Report on the Accounts and Balance Sheet.

The Profits of the Bank, after deducting Expenses, providing for Interest on Deposits, Rebate on Bills, and for all Bad and Doubtful Debts, amount to	£38,962 12 8
To which has to be added the balance from the last account	16,934 6 4
Making a total of	£55,896 19 0
It is proposed:—	
To pay a Dividend for the Half-year at the rate of 17 per cent. per annum, less Income Tax	£12,750 0 0
To Transfer to Reserve Fund	20,000 0 0
To apply in reduction of Premises Account	5,000 0 0
And to carry to next Account	18,146 19 0
	£55,896 19 0

All the Bank's Investments have been written down to the prices current on 31st December, 1917.

In compliance with the Articles of Association, two of the Directors, Messrs. C. E. Murphy and John Murphy, retired from the Board, and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

It will be necessary to elect Auditors for the coming year; the present Auditors, Messrs. Purtill and Company, offer themselves for re-election.

Branches of the Bank have been opened at Carlow and Cahir; and Sub-branches at Avoca, Co. Wicklow; Carlingford, Co. Louth; Croghan, Co. Tipperary; Moneygall, King's Co., and Mullinahone, Co. Tipperary.

By Order of the Board,
T. B. LILLIS, General Manager.

BALANCE SHEET, 31st DECEMBER, 1917.

LIABILITIES.

Capital:— 100,000 shares of £5 each, £2 paid	£200,000 0 0	
Reserve Fund	315,000 0 0	
		515,000 0 0
Deposit, Current, and other Accounts, including Reserve for doubtful debts		£11,714,415 12 5
Profit and Loss:— Balance from 30th June, 1917	16,934 6 4	
Net Profit for half-year ended 31st Dec., 1917	38,962 12 8	
		£55,896 19 0
		£12,285,312 11 5

ASSETS.

Cash on hand, at Bank of England, and with other Bankers	£1,591,478 10 2	
Money at call and at short notice	1,550,000 0 0	
Government Treasury Bills	2,848,000 0 0	
		£5,989,478 10 2
Investments:— War Loan and other Government Stocks	£1,681,483 10 8	
Indian and Colonial Government Stocks	153,800 4 1	
Corporation Stocks, Railway Debenture and Preference Stocks, and Debenture Bonds	405,833 11 1	
Other Investments	895 0 0	
		2,242,012 5 10
		8,231,490 16 0
Bills Receivable		877,194 13 9
Advances on Securities and Current Accounts		3,091,838 3 7
Bank Premises, Head Office and Branches		84,788 18 1
		£12,285,312 11 5

STANLEY HARRINGTON, C. E. MURPHY, } Directors.
T. B. LILLIS, Director and General Manager.
S. G. HARRIS, Secretary.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE AND REPORT.

We have audited the above Balance Sheet, and, having examined the books of the Company and obtained all the information and explanations we have required, we have to report that in our opinion such Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us, and as shown by the books of the Company.

PURTILL and COMPANY, Auditors.
9th January, 1918.

A DAY OF PRAYER FOR MISSIONS,
TO-DAY (FRIDAY),
JANUARY 11th,
At 5 TOWNSEND STREET
By kind permission.
MEETINGS FOR WOMEN, 11 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.
PUBLIC MEETING, 8 p.m. Speaker—Rev. A. H. McNEILE, D.D.

EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE
MEETING FOR PRAYER AT 11.30 a.m. TO-DAY.
ADDRESS BY REV. W. A. BRACKEN.
Chairman—COLONEL BREDIN.
EVANGELISTIC SERVICE AT 8 o'clock p.m.,
Conducted by
REV. T. C. HAMMOND AND REV. F. C. GIBSON.
Subject—"THE RESULTS OF CONVERSION."
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A meeting of the House and Finance Committee was held on the 9th inst., at 4.30 p.m., the Vice-Chairman (E. D. MacLaughlin, Esq., LL.B.) presiding. Also present:—Miss Corcoran, Miss G. Dobbs, T. F. O. Kirkpatrick, Esq., M.D., F.R.C.P.I.; Major W. S. Haughton, R.A.M.C., and Mrs. Hignett.

The routine business was transacted, and cheques amounting to £306 9/1 were signed in payment of the accounts for December. Number of patients in the hospital on the 31st December, 57; daily average during the month, 56.

The Committee gratefully acknowledge the following subscriptions and donations:—His Excellency Lord Wimborne, £5; collection for King's Co. Cot, per Mrs. White-Spunner, £8 1/-; collection for Co. Meath Cot, per Mrs. Nicholson, £16; collection for Co. Tipperary Cot, per Mrs. Whitfield, £21 0/6; collection for Co. Galway Cot, per Miss Cripps-Villiers, £1 15/6; William Brown, Esq., £5; the President and members of the Rotary Club, £4 ...; ... and many others. ...

The Matron thankfully acknowledges the following Christmas gifts:—CAKES—Mrs. Hamilton-Stubber, Mr. John Halliday, Miss G. Dobbs. TURKEYS—Miss Constance Pim, Mrs. Anderson, ... CHRISTMAS TREE, TOYS, AND SWEETS from the Rotary Club. TOYS, SWEETS, AND FRUIT—Rev. W. Farrell, Messrs. Andrews and Co., ... and All-Ireland Needlework Guild. ... ENTERTAINMENTS, TOYS, AND SWEETS—Mrs. Chenman, Miss Power. EVERGREENS—Mrs. E. Dorley, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Walker, Miss Daniel, Miss Dewitt. Also the following sums:—

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ARRANGEMENTS FOR TO-DAY.

Theatre Royal—"Finn Varra Maa," 2.30; Hippodrome, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Gaiety Theatre—"Cinderella," 7.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"Little Jack Horner," 6.45 and 9.
Empire Theatre—"Little Boy Blue," 6.40 and 9.
Tivoli Theatre—7 and 9 p.m.
Abbey Theatre—"Spring" and "Crusaders," 8.15.
Princess Cinema, Rathmines—3 to 11 p.m.
Carlton Cinema—Continuous.
Kingstown Pavilion—Pictures.
Concert in aid of St. Joseph's Orphanage, Mountjoy Street—Mansion House, 8 p.m.
Dublin University V.A.D.—Concert, Molesworth Hall, 8 p.m.
Opening of Hilary Law Sittings, 11 a.m.
Recorder's Sessions, etc., 11 a.m.
County Dublin Farmers' Association—11 Rutland Square, 3 p.m.
Royal Dublin Society's Lecture, 4 p.m.
Dublin Literary Society—Lecture on Municipal Art Gallery, College Restaurant, 8 p.m.
Lecture in St. Stephen's Green Methodist Church on "The Salvation Army in Peace and War," 8.0.
Samaritan Ball—Gresham Hotel.

The Irish Times.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 1918.

Germany's Choice.

Mr. Balfour, in his speech at the war aims meeting in Edinburgh last night, made no attempt to elaborate further the programme defined in Mr. Lloyd George's speech to the Man-Power Conference and President Wilson's address to Congress. They express the complete and sympathetic understanding which now joins the United States and Great Britain together; they cover the whole ground of definition; they have rallied the whole of the two great English-speaking democracies behind their leaders. The two statements leave little or nothing more to be said on the subject of the Allies' war aims, though it is suggested that, when M. Clemenceau has added his voice on behalf of France, all these declarations of the Allied spokesman will be incorporated in a formal document which will go forth to the world as the authentic expression of the policy of the Grand Alliance. Mr. Balfour contented himself with making merely some "notes of observation on the two great documents of the last few days." His "notes of observation" are timely and useful, especially his forceful reminder that "not one of the objects mentioned by President Wilson and Mr. Lloyd George is remote from the homes of Britain and America." If we should be tempted to ask, "What have Poland or the Trentino to do with us?" we may reflect that they have this to do with us: we are fighting for security in the future. Security can be guaranteed only by the formation of a League of Nations; but the principles upon which that League must rest can be no other than those of nationality and democracy. Mr. Balfour reminds us of the historic example of the "Holy Alliance," which collapsed because it denied both principles. The moral of its failure is that, "if we are to have a League of Nations to guard the stability of international frontiers, we must surely give them to start with an arrangement of territory which should not too grossly violate equity and freedom." Mr. Balfour states the case in its lowest terms. The Allies do not demand the instant creation of a perfect world-order. They demand only "an arrangement of territory which should not too grossly violate equity and freedom." The terms defined by Mr. Wilson and Mr. Lloyd George are the bare *minimum* foundations upon which a secure society of nations can be built.

We have yet to learn whether Germany is ready to accept them. Mr. Balfour, perhaps our most expert student of foreign affairs, says frankly that he can see no improvement in the attitude of Germany, and we share his scepticism as to the effective growth of any liberal movement in Germany. He agrees, however, that it is well that steps should be taken to drive it home to the consciousness of the German people themselves that they are called upon to endure the slow agony of war month after month "not for any German object, but for certain ambitions which stand in the way of all that is most hopeful in international relations and all that promises best for the independent development of nations in the future." Mr. Wilson, who appears to cherish the hope of stimulating a democratic movement in Germany, is at least leaving nothing undone to drive his lesson home to the German people and to put his faith in them to the test. We learn from Washington that the propaganda methods which he has adopted to this end are extraordinarily striking. Immediately after reading his address to Congress the President took steps to have it given the widest publicity in Germany, Austria-Hungary, the Balkans, and Russia. It was sent by cable to every part of the world that could be reached by wireless and by undersea and overland wires. A million copies, printed in German, are to be dropped by aeroplane over the enemy lines. It will be posted in every city, town, and village in Russia, and printed in every Russian newspaper under the direction of the American committee for public information now in Russia. It will be circulated in Switzerland and all other neutral countries, and translated into all Austrian Slav languages, and circulated by every possible means in Austria-Hungary. In short, "an effort will be made on an unprecedented scale to see that the programme of permanent peace reaches every human being in this world who can read." The first German Press comments on Mr. Wilson's speech certainly do not suggest that his effort to influence German opinion will meet with any success. Nor does the issue of the "crisis" in Germany over the temporary collapse of the Brest-Litovsk negotiations seem any more encouraging. Apparently all parties except the Socialists are now ready to accept Baron von Kühlmann's slim interpretation of the "no annexation" formula. Mr. Wilson's address may increase still further the accumulating embarrassments of the German Government; but we shall be well advised to refrain, with Mr. Balfour, from hopes for which there is no present evidence that its influence on German opinion is likely to be in any way decisive.

The Lords and Woman Suffrage.

The House of Lords yesterday rejected, by 134 votes to 71, Earl Loreburn's amendment striking the woman suffrage clauses out of the Reform Bill. The majority was achieved by an urgent call on all supporters of women's suffrage to be present. We can be permitted to think that this was not the exact preponderating voice of the House, but that votes were given in many cases on the score of expediency. The House of Lords has, in any case, acted wisely in refusing to take a step which might lead to a new constitutional crisis. Some, but not all, of the speakers against woman suffrage recognised that the time has passed for general argument upon the whole topic of votes for women. That threadbare controversy of the days before the war has little relation to the new situation which the war has created. The Lord Chancellor was one of those who based his objection rather upon what seemed to him the sinister possibilities arising out of the granting of the vote at the present moment. He refused to admit the findings of the Speaker's Conference as binding upon Parliament. "Parliament did not sit merely to register the resolutions of any Conference, however authoritative." The Speaker's Conference, however, was the only possible method of arriving at an agreed settlement of all the controversial questions involved in reform of the franchise, and woman suffrage was an essential element in the compromise. The graver part of his argument, or his strong individual feeling, was that the enfranchisement of six million women was a gigantic experiment—a leap in the dark. He argued that its result might be a hasty and inconclusive peace. The women of the United Kingdom have every title to resent this suggestion that their enfranchisement will encourage "pacificism." On the contrary, the conversion of the great majority of the men of these islands to belief in the justice of woman suffrage—a conversion which the House of Commons ratified by the enormous proportion of seven to one—is almost wholly due to exactly the opposite reason. It is based on the palpable injustice of withholding such protection as the vote affords from a sex which has for the first time taken its full share in the national effort, and whose services will be needed in every department of reconstruction after the war. The opponents of woman suffrage, nevertheless, mustered in strength in the first day's debate, and we may suppose that the dimension of the majority which finally rejected Lord Loreburn's amendment was partly due to the overshadowing fear of the result of deleting that part of the Bill which affected women. There was the spectre of disappointed women again splitting the country into factions, which would be too serious to contemplate. Roughly the arguments "for" were that never had a measure received a more unanimous endorsement from the country; and the arguments "against" that of inexpediency at the present time. The Archbishop of Canterbury was Socratic in suggesting the futility of argument, and defining the position of the House on the matter. The House of Lords, as he said, must not expose itself to the prospect of "a humiliating surrender"; and it has been well advised to decide emphatically against "reopening the floodgates of national controversy."

A Dangerous Dispute.

We remarked a few days ago upon the hopeful prospect of establishing a new industry which could in time make Southern Ireland vie with the great industrial centres of Ulster. The Government has decided to endow Ireland with an aircraft factory in or near Dublin, while the construction of aerodromes in several places has already been begun on definite plans. Between them, the aerodromes and the factory would give much employment, and would involve the expenditure of large sums in this country. Almost at the outset, however, there are strikes; the bricklayers followed the carpenters on the question of wages. Into the merits of this dispute we do not propose to enter. There are proper and competent authorities to whom appeal may be made. We may suggest, however, that such brusque answers as were offered do not tend to make the Government plan to benefit Ireland easier of execution. Officials are apt to become cross-grained in the presence of obstruction and their reports to become sharp and discouraging. The accommodation has to be found for air squadrons; the construction of the factory is urgent. This dispute must be settled, and at once, for time presses and the aeroplane works must be found somewhere—elsewhere if difficulties persist in Ireland. Ireland cannot afford to run the risk of losing this great new industry. We hope that the public opinion of Dublin will exert itself to insist upon the immediate settlement of this most ill-timed dispute. Arbitration has recently secured the settlement of a considerable number of industrial disputes in Dublin to the satisfaction of both parties. Perhaps, if the dispute persists, the Lord Mayor will use his good offices in a matter which, trivial in itself, threatens urgently to become one of national concern.

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GIFT SALE AT ATHY.

At a meeting held in Athy this week arrangements were made to hold a Red Cross Gift Sale on the March fair day.

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THURSDAY.

Their Excellencies the Lord Lieutenant and the Lady Wimborne gave a dinner party this evening at the Viceregal Lodge. The following had the honour of being invited:—Captain Viscount Gormanston and Viscountess Gormanston, Lord MacDonnell, G.C.S.I.; Major-General the Hon. E. Stuart Wortley, C.B.; the Lord Chief Justice, Lady and Miss Campbell; the Master of the Rolls, Mrs. and Miss O'Connor; Sir Thomas Russell, Bart.; Lady and Miss Russell, Sir Crawford and Lady McCullagh, Sir Robert and Lady Anderson, and Colonel Dick.

THE IRISH CONVENTION.

(OFFICIAL REPORT.)

The thirtieth meeting of the Irish Convention was held on Thursday, 10th January, in the Regent House, Trinity College.

The Chairman, Sir Horace Plunkett, took the chair at 11 o'clock.

The following members were present:—Duke of Abercorn, Sir R. N. Anderson, Archbishop of Armagh, J. Bolger, Colonel J. J. Clark, Earl of Desart, J. Devlin, J. Dooly, Captain Doran, T. Duggan, T. Fallon, J. Fitzgibbon, J. Flanagan, H. Garahan, M. Governey, William Gubbins, Captain Gwynn, T. Halligan, J. Hanna, A. Jameson, W. Kavanagh, J. K. Kett, M. E. Knight, T. Lundon, E. E. Lysaght, J. S. F. McCance, Alderman J. McCarron, J. McDonnell, Lord MacDonnell, J. McGarry, C. McKay, J. McMeekan, M. J. Minch, J. Murphy, W. M. Murphy, J. O'Dowd, C. P. O'Neill, P. J. O'Neill, Lord Oranmore and Browne, J. B. Powell, Provost of Trinity College, Sir Stephen Quin, Bishop of Raphoe, D. Reilly, M. Slattery, G. F. Stewart, Colonel R. H. Wallace, R. Waugh, H. T. Whitley.

Lord Southborough, Secretary, was also present.

The discussion on the statement received from the Grand Committee was continued, with special reference to the report which had been received from the Sub-Committee appointed to consider the best method of completing Land Purchase in Ireland.

The Convention adjourned until Tuesday, the 15th January, at 11 a.m.

THE DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE.

A Washington telegram, dated Wednesday, says—The Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, who are at present in Washington on a visit to Sir Cecil Spring Rice, the retiring British Ambassador, were the guests of the President and Mrs. Wilson at luncheon to-day.

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY LIEUTENANT.

The Lord Lieutenant has appointed Brigadier-General Edward C. H. P. Bellingham, D.S.O., C.M.G., eldest son of Sir H. Bellingham, Bart., H.M.L., The Castle, Castlebellingham, a Deputy Lieutenant for the County of Louth.

SALE OF WAR BONDS.

The success of the Tank banks was continued yesterday, some magnificent investments being made. Yesterday's investments include the following, with the total reached by each city:—

Edinburgh	£630,000—total,	£3,046,225.
Hull	138,000—total,	1,440,000.
Potteries	224,955—total,	635,000.
Swansea	198,445—total,	488,885.

CLONTARF SOLDIERS' CLUB.

A commodious clubhouse for soldiers was opened yesterday afternoon at 1 Victoria terrace, Strand road, Clontarf. Since the School of Musketry was established at Dollymount, the project of providing a place of recreation and refreshment for the soldiers was discussed from time to time amongst the residents of the district, but the difficulty of procuring suitable premises prevented every proposal from maturing, until Mr. and Mrs. Picton Bradshaw took the matter up. Mr. Bradshaw has now not only given the use of one of his houses for the club, but has provided most of the fittings and furnishings, and has handed the premises over to the ladies of the district, who have formed themselves into a committee, with Mrs. Bradshaw as President, Mr. Bradshaw as Treasurer, and Mrs. Malcolmson as Secretary. The club will be run on non-sectarian lines. It presents a comfortable, home-like appearance, and should be a very popular resort for the soldiers. The rooms on the ground floor are fitted up for tea and other light refreshments. Upstairs there are two billiard tables, a bagatelle table, and other games, in addition to which there are reading and writing rooms, and articles in demand amongst soldiers will also be on sale.

Amongst those present at the opening ceremony were—Lord Justice Molony, Mr. and Mrs. T. Picton Bradshaw, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Malcolmson, Dr. and Mrs. Fisher, Rev. John Connell, Captain Lockhart, Lieutenant Roby, Rev. W. Sperman, Mr. and Mrs. E. Samuel Lowe, Mr. T. R. McCullagh, and many others.

Mr. Bradshaw said he had received a letter from Sir Bryan Mahon, wishing the club every success, and giving it his full approval.

Lord Justice Molony, in declaring the club open and wishing it every possible success, said it was being realised all over the country that when a large number of men were brought together and kept under strict discipline all day means of reasonable recreation and amusement should be provided for their leisure hours in the evenings. If those means were not made available, the people could not altogether free themselves from blame if the men to some extent fell into evil ways. It was thought when the Soldiers' Central Club was formed in Dublin that soldiers did not care for club life, but preferred the life of the streets. Events had proved that the exact contrary was the fact. There in Clontarf there was a special need for a club where the men could enjoy social intercourse under comfortable, cosy conditions. On behalf of his own committee, on behalf of the citizens of Dublin, and especially those who resided in the Clontarf district, and he thought he might add on behalf of the soldiers, he thanked Mr. and Mrs. Bradshaw for their great generosity in the part they had taken in the establishing of the club, and the other ladies and gentlemen who had co-operated with them. (Applause.)

On the motion of Mr. Malcolmson, the thanks of the company were given to Lord Justice Molony for his kindness in opening the club.

The guests were afterwards entertained to tea, and music was heard from the new piano provided for the club by Mr. Braid.

"FINN VARRA MAA."

We are authorised to state that the pantomime "Finn Varra Maa" was in no way censored by the Provost-Marshal or any other military official.

LONDON CORRESPONDENCE.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
THURSDAY NIGHT.

To-night's debate in the House of Lords on women's suffrage reached a distinctly high level, and there was really little to choose between the arguments on either side. The Lord Chancellor, who resumed the discussion, divested himself for the moment of his office as a member of the Government, and before he sat down he had demolished from top to bottom the whole structure so carefully built up by the advocates of women's suffrage. The noble and learned lord departed somewhat from the beaten track of argument. He utterly denied the existence of sufficient reasons for what he described as a gigantic experiment, a leap in the dark. The particular danger to be apprehended from the addition of some six million women to the Parliamentary register was that it would provide a vast amount of material for agitators and "pacificists" in favour of a hurried peace, which would leave Prussian militarism unbroken and throw away all the advantages for which we had fought and struggled so long.

The Earl of Selborne took infinite pains to reconstruct the edifice so remorselessly attacked by the Lord Chancellor, and his efforts were attended with a large measure of success. Lord Selborne is, perhaps, one of the best debaters in the House, and it was evident he had the cause of the women very much at heart. The Archbishop of Canterbury put the matter in a nutshell when he pointed out that, by repealing the clause, the House would either be courting a humiliating surrender or opening the floodgates of controversy.

Earl Russell, the Earl of Lytton, Viscount Chaplin, and Lord Willoughby de Broke contributed to the discussion, and then Earl Curzon wound up. The noble lord was careful to explain that his views were personal ones, and were not to be taken as reflecting the views of the Government. Having stated so much he went on to say that, after listening to all that had been said in favour of women's suffrage, he remained unconvinced. He did not believe that women's franchise would add to the welfare or stability of the State, and the first duty of the State after the war would be to get the workers back to their towns and to domestic life. Then came the noble earl's dilemma. Logically he ought to vote for the amendment, but there were considerations which influenced him from adopting such a course. He could not conscientiously vote against it, so he proposed to sit on the fence, though he dare not put his position in these words. There was a crowded House when the division was taken, and the result was a triumph for the women's cause, the figures being 71 for the amendment and 134 against.

The Speaker entertained the members of the Irish Redistribution of Seats Committee to lunch at the Speaker's House to-day after the morning conference of the Committee in the Speaker's Library. The Speaker presided, and the other members present were Mr. MacVeagh, Mr. Clancy, Mr. Denis Henry, and Mr. Coote.

The pronouncements on war aims made by Mr. Lloyd George and President Wilson may be followed by one delivered by M. Clemenceau, the Prime Minister of France. This, in all probability, will be succeeded by a collective pronouncement by the Allies after a meeting of the different Prime Ministers in Paris. Such a collective and considered statement could not fail to have a considerable impression on all peoples, including the neutral nations. Lastly, such a statement would be bound to have some little moral force among the people of the enemy countries.

Some interesting rumours were current to-night regarding military changes of great importance. It is impossible to say whether there is any truth in them, but if they are accurate there will be considerable excitement.

The Cambrai report has been in London for some days, but it is unlikely that it will be published. It has been the subject of many rumours, and now it is said that, if given to the world, it would create considerable surprise. A statement may be made in the House of Commons on the report, but much will depend upon circumstances. Sir Douglas Haig has been much hampered in the preparation of the report by the fact that some of the officers mainly concerned are prisoners in Germany.

Sir Auckland Geddes will make a preliminary statement on man-power on Monday, but it is probable that he will reserve his big speech until the second reading of the Man-Power Bill. By that time it is hoped that the negotiations now going on will have been brought to a satisfactory conclusion, and the support of Labour fully secured. The Prime Minister will, it is expected, again address the trade union leaders next Tuesday.

While there is a general agreement that the new arrangements at the Admiralty are likely to be an improvement on the old, some criticism is expressed regarding the division of responsibility among the various Sea Lords. Many students of war would prefer the appointment of a naval Commander-in-Chief who would be the sole professional adviser of the civilian First Lord, just as they regret the abolition of the Commander-in-Chief of the Army and the splitting up of responsibility among the various members of the Army Council. Happily, the Navy has a well-founded reputation for making things work, and whether the present scheme be ideally the best or not there is practically no doubt that the new brooms at the Admiralty—who include some of the brightest young brains in the senior service—will manage still further to strengthen the striking power of our first line of defence.

PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION FOR IRELAND.

SCHEME SUBMITTED TO SPEAKER'S CONFERENCE.

The Proportional Representation Society of Ireland have submitted to the Speaker's Conference a tentative scheme for the application of the principle to Ireland. It is claimed that the proposal gets rid of the vexatious questions arising from the delimitation of single-member constituencies, and the difficulty of so adjusting them as to secure fair representation to all. The schedule makes a comparison with the scheme recommended by the Boundary Commission and the same scheme grouped for the purposes of proportional representation. According to the latter scheme, Ulster would have 38 representatives, and it is suggested that owing to only four members being given to Monaghan and Armagh, the thirty-seventh member may be assigned to Queen's University. The representation of nine members for Belfast is proposed to be divided amongst three constituencies of three members each—Belfast City North, South-East, South-West, the approximate population per member being respectively 47,000, 41,000, and 40,000. As regards Dublin, the scheme proposes to give four members to Dublin City North, three to Dublin City South, and four to County Dublin, the approximate population per member being 43,000 in each group of constituencies. The Counties of Kildare and Wicklow are to be grouped, and to have three representatives instead of four as recommended by the Boundary Commission, whereas King's County and Queen's County are to have three representatives, instead of two as proposed by the Boundary Commissioners, the total representatives for Leinster being 27. Of the total representatives for Munster, which the Boundary Commission recommended to be 24, it is suggested that it be reduced by one, Tipperary being allotted only three members instead of four, and it is proposed to assign the twenty-fourth member to the National University. The total for Connaught, 13 members, is unchanged. The University representation for Ireland, according to the Boundary Commission, is two, but the scheme proposes to extend it to four members, representing Dublin University and the National and Queen's Universities.

FUTURE OF GERMAN COLONIES.

Under the auspices of the British Workers' League, a meeting in London yesterday, Sir John McCall presiding, passed a resolution repudiating the Labour party's proposals to hand over the German Colonies to the administration of a Cosmopolitan Commission, and pledging itself to use every effort to prevent their return to Germany.

FOOD SHORTAGE.

CONTROL COMMITTEE'S APPEAL.

SCARCITY OF BREAD, BUTTER, MILK, AND SUGAR.

The Irish Food Control Committee request the publication of the following:—

The situation with regard to the supply of certain foods is so serious that the Food Control Committee for Ireland consider it desirable to appeal to the people of the country, and more particularly to the well-to-do portion of the community, to aid them in reducing the consumption of certain essential foods which form the staple nourishment of the working classes. The particular articles of food which the Committee have in view are:—Bread, butter, milk, sugar. Any reduction which can be made in the amount consumed of these foods by those who can afford to purchase, or are themselves producers of, alternatives, is so much saved for the use of the working man and his family, and the Committee trust they have only to bring the matter before the public, and to explain that it is one of extreme importance, in order to have it dealt with by all heads of households, hotels, restaurants, clubs, and institutions.

The Committee suggest that bread or butter should only be served at breakfast; the habit of eating bread at luncheon and dinner is merely a habit, as where fish, meat, and vegetables are served at such meals, bread is unnecessary. Butter is so very scarce at present that any saving which can be made in the amount hitherto used would be of assistance; its use should be restricted to a very small quantity. Moreover, bread, butter, sugar, and milk should only be partaken of very sparingly by people who follow sedentary occupations, or are not actually employed in manual labour. The Committee appeal to all responsible men and women in the country to help them in their effort to save the essential food of the people, so that the working man may be enabled to maintain his power of production, and provide for the proper feeding of his family.

FOOD CONTROL IN IRELAND.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—As one who has a deep interest in the welfare of the poor, and who follows closely the various reports concerning the movements being made to protect the public from overcharges and under-weights, I deprecate the unjust onslaughts made by public bodies and others on the Food Control Committee, "others" in this respect being principally the very people whom the Committee are endeavouring to convict of offences under the Defence of the Realm Act.

It must be borne in mind that the Food Control Committee is only in its infancy, but I claim that already it has done excellent service for the public, and I go further and say that but for that body the the poor of Dublin and elsewhere would be in a state of starvation, and prices of staple foods one hundred *per cent.* more than they are at present. Some gentlemen, who may or may not have axes to grind, openly affirm that the Food Control Committee are a useless body. Do they forget the hundreds of cases brought before the courts where shopkeepers are overcharging and bleeding the people? Do they forget how the prices of tea, butter, sugar, bread, etc., have at least been kept down in price and conserved to the best advantage?

Would it not be more in accordance with the serious state of affairs and the supposed anxiety of the grumblers and growlers if all possible assistance and information were placed at the disposal of the Food Control Committee?

It would be well if the Sub-Committee appointed by the Corporation were more active in discharging their duties at the Dublin Cattle and Pig markets. The rules in connection with the duties are most explicit, but, as far as I can judge, nothing much has been done.—Yours, etc.,

"F. D. H."

Dublin, January 10th, 1918.

BUTTER AND MARGARINE

Little improvement in supplies of butter was reported in Dublin yesterday, but larger consignments are expected within the next five or seven days. Apparently it is not fully understood in the country yet that trade must be effected at controlled prices, for some producers have been asking merchants what they will pay for butter. Till that impression is removed it is likely that supplies will not be forthcoming to the fullest extent. Supplies of margarine are stated to be even less than a week ago. Difficulty is found in securing any imports of margarine, and the shortage of fats has resulted in a curtailed manufacture of margarine in Ireland. The base of the product—oleo—comes largely from America. Up till a few weeks ago nearly 600 tons of margarine were made in Ireland every week. The export demand has also increased. A produce factor said yesterday that in a week or so there will be enough butter for everyone to have a little, but only a little.

PURCHASE OF HOME-RAISED CATTLE FOR THE ARMY.

The Food Controller announces that the purchase of home-grown cattle for the Army by Army Cattle Purchase Committee has been indefinitely suspended, and that it will no longer be necessary for cattle to be purchased for the Army at the price of 67s. per cwt., live weight. The standard prices now in force are those contained in the Schedule of Cattle (Sales) Order, 1917, which range from 75s. per cwt., live weight, downwards, according to the yield of meat from the animal.

THE FLOUR SHORTAGE IN BELFAST.

A Belfast miller, interviewed yesterday, stated that there was no danger of a famine in Belfast owing to the shortage of flour. He said that the local mills were more than able to supply the needs of the Belfast people. Their output is 14,000 sacks per week, and the consumption at present is only 10,000 sacks per week. It is contended that the shortage of flour is due to farmers and others using it in some forms for poultry and pig feeding. In 1914 the weekly consumption of flour in Ireland was estimated at 70,000 sacks; now it is 90,000.

FOOD PROSECUTIONS.

A further series of food prosecutions were heard in Belfast Police Courts yesterday. A fine of 40s. and costs was imposed upon Messrs. M'Closkey Bros., 51 Connsbrook avenue, for failing to keep accurate records of transactions, and a similar penalty for having failed to display in the shop a statement of the price at which they were selling butter. A third charge of selling butter at prices exceeding the maximum prices fixed by the Order was dismissed. Robert A. Kennedy, grocer, 157 Duncairn Gardens, was fined 20s. for failing to display prominently on the 27th December a statement showing the price at which he was selling bacon.

IRISH COAL SUPPLIES.

REPORT TO DUBLIN CORPORATION.

The possibility of providing a cheap supply of coal for the working classes from Irish collieries, as suggested by the Dublin Trades Council, will engage the attention of the Dublin Corporation at a special meeting on Monday next. They will have before them a report of the Estates and Finance Committee, who state that the supply of Irish coal is inadequate, and it would be necessary, if the Trades Council proposition was followed, to create a staff to deal with the distribution of the coal, which would be a substantial expense, while there was still the question of the power of the Corporation to expend money on a project of the kind. Given the necessary supplies of fuel, whether coal or peat, the Committee think that the existing charitable associations would be the proper medium to give effect to the wishes of the Trades Council. The developing of Irish coalfields was a matter of national rather than local importance; and they think the capital of Ireland is bound to deal with it from its national aspect. They were informed that a railway connecting the Modubeagh colliery working at Wolfhill with the Great Southern and Western Railway at Athy could be completed in six or eight weeks if a temporary bridge were laid over the River Barrow on the pillars which have been completed, pending steel being available for the permanent structure. With the railway completed, it is estimated, the present output of 80 tons per day could be raised to 200 tons per day, and to 1,000 tons in twelve months' time.

R.D.S. PURE-BRED BULL SHOW.

Entries for the show and sale of pure-bred bulls to be held by the Royal Dublin Society on February 5th at the auction mart of Messrs. Gavin Low, Ltd., 50 Prussia street, Dublin, have now closed, and their numbers are as follow:—

Shorthorns:—Bulls calved on or before August 31st, 1916—last year 7, this year 11; bulls calved on or after September 1st, 1916—25, this year 13; bulls calved in 1917—45, this year 32; dairy shorthorn bulls, calved between September 1st, 1916, and April 30th, 1917—5, this year 4; total—last year 80, this year 60.

Aberdeen-Angus:—Bulls calved on or before August 31st, 1916—last year 3, this year 4; bulls calved in 1916, from September 1st to November 30th—5, this year 7; bulls calved from December 1st, 1916, to November 30th, 1917—39, this year 33; total—last year 45, this year 44.

Herefords:—Bulls calved prior to 1917—last year 3, this year 3; bulls calved in 1917—21, this year 26; total—last year 24, this year 29.

A larger show and sale of pure-bred bulls will be held at the Lansdowne road grounds on April 9th and 10th.

AWARDS FOR BRAVERY.

MORE GALLANT DEEDS DESCRIBED.

Details of the gallant actions for which recent awards of the Military Cross were made are being published in special supplements to the *London Gazette*. Those just issued include the following:—

MILITARY CROSS.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Kenneth Vernon Barrett, Welsh R., Spec. Res., attd. M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He handled his guns with great skill, and was able, through his determination and disregard of danger, to direct their work, in spite of the very heavy shelling to which they were subjected. He was largely responsible for the success of the operations.

2nd Lt. Douglas Jamieson Blake, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst covering a raiding party with barrage fire, his battery became subjected to an intense hostile bombardment. By his splendid and fearless personal example he reorganised a detachment which had been thrown into confusion by a direct hit on the gun pit. He laid and fired the gun for some time himself, and afterwards continued to move about under heavy fire with a magnificent disregard of personal danger.

T./2nd Lt. John Kemmy Boyle, R. Ir. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed the greatest coolness under fire, and led his company with ability and courage. When the enemy counter-attacked he organised counter-attacks upon them, thereby regaining all the ground which had been temporarily lost.

2nd Lt. Sydney Vincent Brady, Manch. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on an enemy trench. He showed great zeal and determination when in charge of the mopping-up party, leading them through the enemy wire and into the first enemy trench with great dash and fearlessness. He thoroughly searched every corner until prevented from advancing by our own barrage, greatly inspiring his men by his gallantry and good leadership.

2nd Lt. John Bernard Mary Burke, G. Gds.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of battalion communications. At a moment when his men had been caught by hostile barrage and most of them hit, he reorganised them with great gallantry and coolness under heavy shell fire, and was able to maintain a constant flow of valuable information as to the progress of the attack. On reaching the final objective he rapidly opened communication with the troops on either flank, and maintained them throughout the day in spite of continuous and heavy shelling.

2nd Lt. Joseph Patrick Coghlan, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a wiring party in front of our line. The work was started in daylight under heavy machine-gun, rifle, and shell fire, and, in spite of a number of casualties, he completed 800 yards of wire entanglement before dark. On subsequent occasions he has shown the same capacity for organisation and speed in carrying out his work.

T./Capt. Victor Lindley Connolly, R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his bearers again and again through barrages of shell fire to attend to the wounded, and it was owing to his splendid courage and personal example that his bearers were kept at work clearing the wounded from a heavily shelled area.

T./Capt. George Theodore Cregan, M.B., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in attending to the wounded under heavy shell fire. A few days later, after he had completed his usual round, he volunteered to remain at an advanced dressing station which was short-handed, and worked continually for nineteen hours, treating and evacuating over 700 cases. This gallant and devoted act was performed under continuous and heavy shell fire, during which the dressing station itself was hit. His personal example and disregard of danger has at all times been most marked.

Lt. Charles O'Brien Dickinson, R.G.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although wounded early in the day, he continued to command his battery with the utmost skill and energy, thereby preventing hostile artillery from interfering with a most important reconnaissance.

2nd Lt. Bernard Edward Cooke Dixon, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in laying cables under heavy shell fire. He has shown the greatest fearlessness and gallantry in maintaining communications under very great difficulties, and, although constantly exposed to heavy hostile shelling, he set a splendid example of coolness and determination to the men under his command.

2nd Lt. (T./Lt.) Thomas Dixon, R. Lan. R. and M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as transport officer when in charge of pack animals carrying machine guns and ammunition forward during an attack. He showed the greatest pluck and coolness in guiding the animals across enemy trenches and through hostile barrage, although his charger was twice wounded and he was thrown heavily owing to barbed wire. His men said that it was impossible for any officer to set them a finer example. He was severely wounded.

2nd Lt. James Driscoll, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a raid upon enemy trenches he was in charge of parties detailed for working up the enemy communication trenches and for mopping up the second line. He personally blew up an enemy trench mortar, whilst a second one was blown up by one of his N.C.O.'s, and after inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy, he withdrew his party and brought them safely back with slight casualties.

T./2nd Lt. Kyran Dunphy, Leins. R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst in charge of his platoon he attempted to rush a strong point and suffered heavy losses, whereupon he placed the remaining men under cover, went forward alone and tried to knock out the machine gun which was causing the damage. Whilst doing this he was badly wounded. He set a splendid example of grit and devotion to duty.

BRITISH EMPIRE ORDER.

MERCANTILE MARINE OFFICERS HONOURED.

Amongst the Mercantile Marine officers who have been awarded the Fourth Class of the Order of the British Empire are the following:—

Capt. Edmund Burton Bartlett, Capt. Neil McNeil, Capt. William John Dagnall, Capt. Thomas McComb Taylor, Capt. Peter McLean, Capt. David Taylor, Capt. John Thomas, Capt. Ernest William Bastard, Chief Engineer James Allan, Chief Engineer Thomas Anderson Bowman (Chief Engineer of the Belgian Prince), Chief Engineer Thomas Gowans, Chief Engineer Arthur Edward Philp, Chief Engineer William Grant, Chief Engineer Joseph McFarlane, Chief Engineer Alfred Evans Kelly, Chief Engineer James Foster.

THE D.S.O.

The Distinguished Service Order has recently been conferred on Lieutenant-Colonel G. N. Humphreys, A.S.C., son of the late William Humphreys, Broomfield House, Midleton, Co. Cork. He has served for over two years in France, and has been three times mentioned in despatches.

The D.S.O. has been conferred on Lieutenant-Colonel Rupert C. Smythe, Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers (attached West Yorkshire Regiment), son of Captain R. A. Smythe, Killiney. He was wounded in 1915, and has been mentioned in Sir Douglas Haig's despatches. He served in the South African War, and has the Queen's and King's Medals. Colonel Smythe's two brothers-in-law—Colonel Eoghan O'Brien, R.E., of Killiney, and Lieutenant-Commander Leslie Edmunds, R.N.V.R., of Galway—have also had honours conferred on them. Colonel O'Brien, who joined in October, 1914, and has served in France, Palestine, and Italy, and has been twice mentioned in despatches, has been awarded the D.S.O., while Lieutenant-Commander Edmunds has received the O.B.E.

The Rev. J. W. K. Griffin, a Church of Ireland clergyman, and brother of Mr. G. W. Griffin, Provincial Bank, Enniscorthy, who is serving as an Army chaplain, has been awarded the D.S.O.

THE MILITARY CROSS.

Captain Alexander Kirkpatrick Cosgrave, M.B., R.A.M.C., has been awarded the Military Cross. He is the younger son of the late Henry A. Cosgrave, Pembroke road, Dublin, and of Mrs. Cosgrave, Broomfield, Howth.

Honorary Captain and Quartermaster T. Mahony, Royal Irish Regiment, whose home is in Clonmel, has been awarded the Military Cross. This gallant officer, who has 26 years' service, has served continuously in France and Flanders since January, 1915. He has been mentioned in Sir John French's despatches during the present campaign.

THE NEW AERODROME BUILDINGS AND WORKSHOPS.

In connection with the dispute that has occurred regarding the building of aerodromes and workshops near Dublin, the general meeting of the Building Section of the Dublin Building Trades Employers' Association, having considered the proposals for the settlement of the differences with the several trades as put forward at the conference on the 8th inst., regret that it was necessary to make any exception in the building works covered by the signed agreement, but they heartily approve of the action taken by the Committee with the object of securing this very necessary employment for the city and district.

BRICKLAYERS AND THE STRIKE.

The situation created by the strike of bricklayers working at aerodromes in the County Dublin was discussed last evening at a meeting of the trade, when it was urged that in Great Britain a higher wage was being given for similar work. No definite action was decided upon, and the question was deferred to another meeting, to be held to-morrow night. There has been no further development in regard to the strike of carpenters employed at the aerodromes.

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN BAR.

To-day....	Morning	10.12	Evening	10.34
To-morrow	"	10.56	"	11.18

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

To-day....	Rises	8.37	Sets	4.2?
To-morrow	"	8.36	"	4.2?

LIGHTING-UP TIME .... 5.29 P.M.

FROM "THE TIMES" OF TO-DAY.

(BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH THE PROPRIETORS OF *THE TIMES.*)

GENERAL MAUDE'S LAST DESPATCH.

A pathetic interest, says *The Times*, attaches to the despatch which we publish to-day from Sir Stanley Maude, because it is his last. There was a certain neatness and completeness about all General Maude's operations in Mesopotamia which showed him to be, at any rate, a master of the older forms of warfare. After the battle of Ramadie he attacked from his centre and destroyed the advanced Turkish base at Tekrit on the Tigris, and finally he made a rapid march on the Dialah front, and cleared his right flank. Having hit the Turks heavily on both flanks and in the centre, he withdrew to his former position on the Tigris, though retaining his new flank positions. While he waited apparently in expectation of a Turkish advance in strength death found him. His successor, General Marshall, is still waiting, but the enemy make no sign. The whereabouts of General von Falkenhayn remains a mystery to the public, but we do not think the Mesopotamian campaign has reached its close. We have yet to see whether the enemy will endeavour to retake Jerusalem or Baghdad.

THE NEW BOARD OF ADMIRALTY.

The new Board of Admiralty, says *The Times*, embodies the present stage of the gradual and progressive adaptation of the peace organisation of the Navy to war conditions. The changes are of importance from two main standpoints. The first is their effect on naval policy; the second the alterations which they express in the internal organisation of the Admiralty itself. The first may be summed up by saying that war imposes upon any Navy that keeps the sea an almost daily necessity for the adaptation of naval policy to conditions that are constantly changing. We doubt whether the reality of this necessity has been adequately realised in this country since the war began. The German Navy is pinned within its harbours, and there is an end of what the public thinks about it. But its immobility is pregnant with infinite possibilities of action. These possibilities British naval policy has to foresee, and against them it has to make provision. Yet the only form of naval activity which takes the public eye in this country is that of the submarines. Their threat is palpable enough. It does not grow less, as the returns for the last two weeks have shown, and if it imposes upon the people of this country the strictest duty of economy in all essentials, it lays upon the Admiralty the task of the most vigorous provision of every possible means of defence against it. The recent changes at the Admiralty are the outcome of a belief, not confined to the public, that the utmost has not yet been done in this respect. Older men cling to older ways, younger men believe that they can more readily adapt themselves to new conditions, if they receive sufficient freedom of action. The problem has been to ensure that the younger and more ardent spirits of the Navy shall have every opportunity for showing what they can do.

THE GERMAN FOOD SITUATION.

The *Berliner Tageblatt*, says *The Times*, publishes some extracts from an eleventh report on food control measures, covering the period from the end of February to the end of November, which has been presented to the Reichstag. The official conclusion is as follows:—"We are armed for the fourth year of war with economical and appropriate measures. Our supplies will suffice to secure the feeding of our people for the future also. It is true that, just as little as in the past year, shall we be able to do without the intelligent and ready co-operation of producers and consumers. The German farmer must not grow weary in maintaining production, in spite of all difficulties, and the consumer will have to accept all the restrictions required by the situation, and to bear them with the same devotion and steadfastness with which he has borne the heavy trials of the past economic year. If all sections of the community co-operate in this fashion for the one great aim, our enemies' starvation scheme will be brought to nought." There is at present an unmistakable change of tone in such official and also unofficial discussions of the food situation. A characteristic leading article in the *Frankfurter Zeitung* is resigned and almost depressed. It maintains that there has never been more need for the Germans to appreciate their peril, and to understand that their enemies will take just as full advantage of a victory in "the war of starvation" as they would take of victory in the field.

NEW PUBLIC MEALS ORDER.

We understand, says *The Times*, that, in conjunction with the Meatless Day Order already foreshadowed, the Ministry of Food are preparing a revision of the Public Meals Order of last year, under which rationing by bulk is imposed on hotels, restaurants, clubs, boarding-houses, and other "public eating places." The Order as it stands lays down the following scale of average quantities of meat, sugar, bread, and flour for each meal for each person as the basis on which each establishment is rationed:—

	Meat.	Sugar.	Bread.	Flour.
Breakfast	2oz.	2oz.	2oz.	Nil
Luncheon (including mid-day dinner)	5oz.	2oz.	2oz.	1oz.
Dinner (including supper and meat tea)	5oz.	2oz.	2oz.	1oz.
Tea	Nil	2oz.	2oz.	Nil

Two ounces of poultry and game are reckoned as 1 ounce of meat. The weight of meat is the uncooked weight, including bone, as delivered by the butcher. No account is taken of any meal between 9.30 p.m. and 5 a.m. "Meat" includes "butchers' meat, sausage, ham, pork, bacon, venison, and preserved and potted meats." Under the revised Order important alterations are contemplated in this scale, particularly in regard to meat. It is believed that there will be a prohibition of meat for breakfast. No final decision has yet been taken either on this or on the Meatless Day Order, but it is anticipated that their issue will not long be delayed.

IRISH PRINCIPAL TEACHERS.

At a meeting in Belfast of the Committee of the Irish Principal Teachers' Union resolutions were unanimously adopted deprecating strongly the present plan of campaign pursued by the Chief Secretary for Ireland and the Treasury by their virulent attacks upon all official recommendations for the improvement of teachers, desiring to support the Commissioners in their efforts to obtain an increased war bonus, regretting that a number of public men in Ireland have been misled and have inadvertently associated themselves with a movement which totally ignores the advantages arising from rapid promotions, annual increments, and the abolition of standard numbers, and which ends the anomaly of paying the Irish teacher with a school of over 400 pupils less than half the salary of his English or Scotch colleagues similarly situated; declaring that the proposed affiliation of the I.N.T.O. with the Trades Council on a snatch vote of 3,000 out of over 13,000 teachers will in all probability lead to the disintegration of the organisation, and will be inimical to the best interests of the teaching profession; and earnestly requesting all Irish members of Parliament to support the Commissioners of National Education in their claims for £784,000 as the irreducible minimum to satisfy the needs of Irish primary education.

COURTMARTIAL AT CORK.

At the Cork barracks yesterday, at a district courtmartial (Captain Grounds, President), Private John Guest, Lincoln Regiment, was charged with having, in December, at the Military Hospital, assaulted a V.A.D. nurse by putting his arms around her and attempting to kiss her. Lieutenant Heaton prosecuted, and F. W. Wynne, solicitor, defended.

For the defence it was alleged that the whole thing was a joke. The accused, who had been brought to the hospital, never intended to insult the lady.

The finding of the Court will be promulgated later.

FISHING BOAT SUNK BY SUBMARINE.

Reuter has received information of the latest instance of German brutality at sea. On Wednesday a large German submarine encountered in the North Sea the Premier, a small unarmed drifter (fishing vessel). The U-boat at once opened fire on the little craft, a vessel of only 80 tons, with her two guns, and captured the fishing boat. The submarine temporarily retired, but returned and saw the crew hanging on to the bottom of their vessel. She then made off, leaving her victims to their fate. One man was killed and one badly injured, but the remainder were subsequently rescued after a period of terrible suffering. The weather was bitterly cold, and it was snowing heavily.

WESTERN FRO[NT]

BRITISH RAIDS SO[UTH] OF YPRES.

ENEMY PUNISHED.

Sir Douglas Haig reports a successful ... London and Rifle regiments ... points south of Ypres. They ... many casualties on the enemy, a... two machine guns and some priso... The enemy guns were busy in the ... Gonnelieu.

BRITISH OFFICIAL.

Thursday, 9.50 a.m.—Hostile artill... shown some slight activity in the n... hood of Gonnelieu. Otherwise there is ... of special interest to report.

Thursday, 10.3 p.m.—Early this ... London and Rifle regiments successfull... at three different points the enemy's ... south-east of Ypres, inflicting many c... and capturing a few prisoners and two ... guns. Hostile artillery has been activ... the day south of Bullecourt, west of L... east of Ypres.

Aviation.—During the morning of the ... there was great activity in the air. ... deal of artillery work was accomplish... many photographs were taken. Bom... dropped on the enemy's billets and h... and hostile troops in the trenches ... peatedly attacked with machine gun f... a low altitude. Four hostile machin... brought down in air fighting, and tw... were driven down out of control. Thre... aeroplanes are missing. Of these, t... seen to collide during a combat over the ... lines. After 1 p.m. snow fell, renderin... impossible.

FRENCH OFFICIAL.

Thursday Afternoon.—We easily rep... enemy raid on our small posts on the ... edge of the high forest of Coucy. The ... activity was fairly marked in the r... Vauxaillon. Everywhere else the n... quiet.

Thursday Night.—There was artillery ... on both sides in Champagne, the regio... heights, and on the Bezonvaux-Caurier... front. No infantry action is reported.

GERMAN OFFICIAL.

Thursday Afternoon.—South-west of ... there was a lively artillery duel du... afternoon. West of Zandvoorde a str... lish reconnoitring attack, which was ... during the night, broke down. There w... little fighting activity on the remainde... front.

In December the enemy losses in air ... the German front amounted to nine ... balloons and 119 aeroplanes, of which ... down behind our lines. The rest were ... to fall behind the enemy positions. ... lost in battle 82 aeroplanes and two ... balloons.

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

Italian Official.—During yesterday ... lery struggle, generally not intense, beha... violent at intervals to the east of the ... Our reconnaissance parties captured pris... the west of Canove di Sotto, on the left ... Asss, and provoked a long reaction of ... the part of the enemy. At Grave di ... poli hostile working and armed parti... dispersed. Hostile trench mortars fig... the neighbourhood of S. Dona were sile... our batteries.

Austrian Official.—West of Asiago an ... attack was repulsed.

GOODBODY AT DUBLIN PORT.

The first business to be transacted ... meeting of the Dublin Port and Dock ... yesterday was the election of a Chairm... Vice-Chairman for the current year. T... Mayor having taken the chair, ...

Mr. Goodbody proposed the re-elect... Alderman James Moran, J.P., as Ch... He bore testimony to the untiring s... Alderman Moran had given to the affair... port during the past year, and to the ... he had displayed in all matters brough... his notice.

Mr. Hollwey seconded the resolu... behalf of the shipping members, and ... to the impartial way in which Alderman ... had carried out his duties.

Sir James M. Gallagher and Mr. Fiel... agreed that the position of Chairman h... been more competently filled than du... past year.

Alderman O'Beirne, Mr. Scott, Mr. ... Mr. Crowe, Sir James Murphy, M... M.P.; Mr. Wallace, Mr. M'Cormick, a... also bore testimony to the work ... Alderman Moran while acting as Chai... The resolution having been unan... adopted.

The Lord Mayor congratulated A... Moran on his re-election, and said ... best Chairman he had ever sat unde... (the Lord Mayor) looked forward to ... great graving dock started in Dublin... the work was started during the ... they might fittingly call it the Moran ... (Hear, hear.)

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT.

Alderman Moran took the chai... applause. He sincerely thanked the ... for the honour they had conferred upo... Referring to the condition of affairs ... port, he spoke of the dispute betwe... Board and the Dublin Dockyard C... which reached an acute stage shortly ... became Chairman. It was a matter of ... the members held very divergent view... thought then, and he thought still, t... company's claim was a reasonable one, ... they were aware, he took up a rather ... attitude in connection with it. He sho... it to be on record that from that day ... there had not been one discordant note ... nection with the transaction. The ... over was going on most satisfa... In July, as they were aware, the... approached by Mr. H. G. Burgess on ... of the Government, for additional ac... commodation. Thanks to Mr. Burgess' ... and the Chief Secretary's sympathetic h... they were able to come to an arran... which would, after the war, be of great ... to the port. Mr. Burgess succeeded in ... the money from the Government on ... tion that the Board of Works approved ... sheds, railway, etc. This brought hi... Chairman) in contact with Sir George ... son, and he wanted to say that if all ... cient officials were like him there w... less trouble in this country. (Hear, hea... fought his corner and made the best ... he could, but he was amenable to reas... he found his word his bond. In fact, ... Chairman) let him go ahead long bef... lawyers had settled their differences, ... they would not now have the sheds and ... almost complete. The question of dues ... was not yet quite settled, but the ... Chairman and Law Agent, both of wh... charge of the entire question from the ... could be relied upon to bring it to a s... finish. As to the financial position ... Board on the year's working, they be... year with a credit balance of some £2... wound up the year with £52,000—a net ... £50,000. In addition to this they had ... a large sum on the Dockyard change ou... on various repairs of plant, and cons... purchases of stock for various depa... Last, but not least, they had the new ... and railway. These various items repr... another £50,000, so that they were ... £130,000 better off than they were a y... Nothing succeeded like success. They h... turned the corner, it needed only a l... and a strong pull and a pull all together ... the port what nature intended it sh... namely, the premier port of this ... (Hear, hear.)

On the motion of Mr. Crowe, secon... the Lord Mayor, Mr. Hollwey was unan... re-elected Vice-Chairman.

APPRENTICES TO SKILLED TRA...

Dr. Sherlock drew attention to remark... by the Chairman as to the refusal ... trades' unions to permit a sufficient num... apprentices to be employed, so that the ... of skilled artisans should be equal to ... mand, and suggested that the Chairma... a few other members of the Board ... go into the whole subject and see wha... be done.

Mr. Scott said the Dockyard Compa... handicapped in many respects by the ... men, owing to the action of the trade... limiting the number of apprentices. H... mention that he had to send away cont... in which there was upwards of £1... wages simply for the reason that th... could not be done. ... taken up. ...

The Board appointed a subcommi... sisting of the Chairman, the Vice-Ch... Mr. Scott, Mr. Dalr, and Dr. Sherlock ... sider the matter and confer with rep... tives of the allied trades.

The following members attended th...

The Lord Mayor, and subsequently ... Moran, in the chair; John Hollwey (V... man), Sir James Murphy, Bart., D.L., ... M. Gallagher, T.C., Alderman Thos. M... Alderman Alfred Byrne, M.P.; Dr. J. G... P. T. Daly, William Field, M.P.; Frederick ... Thos. R. McCullagh, Wm. Wallace, J.P.; ... Goodbody, J.P.; John Mooney, jun.; Las... Martin, William Crowe, Walter Scott, J... Hill, J.P.; David Barry, Joseph Peter ... McCormick, J.P.; William Hewat, and ... Byrne, J.P.

SCOTLAND YARD reports the escape, ... land Prisoners of War Camp, near Ches... terday afternoon, of two German pris... war, dressed in tweed knickerbocker su... puttees and civilian overcoats.

FOOD SHORTAGE.

CONTROL COMMITTEE'S APPEAL.

SCARCITY OF BREAD, BUTTER, MILK, AND SUGAR.

The Irish Food Control Committee request the publication of the following:—

The situation with regard to the supply of certain foods is so serious that the Food Control Committee for Ireland consider it desirable to appeal to the people of the country, and more particularly to the well-to-do portion of the community, to aid them in reducing the consumption of certain essential foods which form the staple nourishment of the working classes. The particular articles of food which the Committee have in view are:—Bread, butter, milk, sugar. Any reduction which can be made in the amount consumed of these foods by those who can afford to purchase, or are themselves producers of, alternatives, is so much saved for the use of the working man and his family, and the Committee trust they have only to bring the matter before the public, and to explain that it is one of extreme importance, in order to have it dealt with by all heads of households, hotels, restaurants, clubs, and institutions.

The Committee suggest that bread or butter should only be served at breakfast; the habit of eating bread at luncheon and dinner is merely a habit, as where fish, meat, and vegetables are served at such meals, bread is unnecessary. Butter is so very scarce at present that any saving which can be made in the amount hitherto used would be of assistance; its use should be restricted to a very small quantity. Moreover, bread, butter, sugar, and milk should only be partaken of very sparingly by people who follow sedentary occupations, or are not actually employed in manual labour. The Committee appeal to all responsible men and women in the country to help them in their effort to save the essential food of the people, so that the working man may be enabled to maintain his power of production, and provide for the proper feeding of his family.

FOOD CONTROL IN IRELAND
TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—As one who has a deep interest in the welfare of the poor, and who follows closely the various reports concerning the movements being made to protect the public from overcharges and under-weights, I deprecate the unjust onslaughts made by public bodies and others on the Food Control Committee, "others" in this respect being principally the very people whom the Committee are endeavouring to convict of offences under the Defence of the Realm Act.

It must be borne in mind that the Food Control Committee is only in its infancy, but I claim that already it has done excellent service for the public, and I go further and say that but for that body the poor of Dublin and elsewhere would be in a state of starvation, and prices of staple foods one hundred *per cent.* more than they are at present. Some gentlemen, who may or may not have axes to grind, openly affirm that the Food Control Committee are a useless body. Do they forget the hundreds of cases brought before the courts where shopkeepers are overcharging and bleeding the people? Do they forget how the prices of tea, butter, sugar, bread, etc., have at least been kept down in price and conserved to the best advantage?

Would it not be more in accordance with the serious state of affairs and the supposed anxiety of the grumblers and growlers if all possible assistance and information were placed at the disposal of the Food Control Committee?

It would be well if the Sub-Committee appointed by the Corporation were more active in discharging their duties at the Dublin Cattle and Pig markets. The rules in connection with the duties are most explicit, but, as far as I can judge, nothing much has been done.—Yours, etc., "F. D. H."

Dublin, January 10th, 1918.

BUTTER AND MARGARINE

Little improvement in supplies of butter was reported in Dublin yesterday, but larger consignments are expected within the next five or seven days. Apparently it is not fully understood in the country yet that trade must be effected at controlled prices, for some producers have been asking merchants what they will pay for butter. Till that impression is removed it is likely that supplies will not be forthcoming to the fullest extent. Supplies of margarine are stated to be even less than a week ago. Difficulty is found in securing any imports of margarine, and the shortage of fats has resulted in a curtailed manufacture of margarine in Ireland. The base of the product —oleo—comes largely from America. Up till a few weeks ago nearly 600 tons of margarine were made in Ireland every week. The export demand has also increased. A produce factor said yesterday that in a week or so there will be enough butter for everyone to have a little, but only a little.

PURCHASE OF HOME-RAISED CATTLE FOR THE ARMY.

The Food Controller announces that the purchase of home-grown cattle for the Army by Army Cattle Purchase Committee has been indefinitely suspended, and that it will no longer be necessary for cattle to be purchased for the Army at the price of 67s. per cwt., live weight. The standard prices now in force are those contained in the Schedule of Cattle (Sales) Order, 1917, which range from 75s. per cwt., live weight, downwards, according to the yield of meat from the animal.

THE FLOUR SHORTAGE IN BELFAST.

A Belfast miller, interviewed yesterday, stated that there was no danger of a famine in Belfast owing to the shortage of flour. He said that the local mills were more than able to supply the needs of the Belfast people. Their output is 14,000 sacks per week, and the consumption at present is only 10,000 sacks per week. It is contended that the shortage of flour is due to farmers and others using it in some forms for poultry and pig feeding. In 1914 the weekly consumption of flour in Ireland was estimated at 70,000 sacks; now it is 90,000.

FOOD PROSECUTIONS.

A further series of food prosecutions were heard in Belfast Police Courts yesterday. A fine of 40s. and costs was imposed upon Messrs. M'Closkey Bros., 51 Connsbrook avenue, for failing to keep accurate records of transactions, and a similar penalty for having failed to display in the shop a statement of the price at which they were selling butter. A third charge of selling butter at prices exceeding the maximum prices fixed by the Order was dismissed. Robert A. Kennedy, grocer, 157 Duncairn Gardens, was fined 20s. for failing to display prominently on the 27th December a statement showing the price at which he was selling bacon.

IRISH COAL SUPPLIES.

REPORT TO DUBLIN CORPORATION.

The possibility of providing a cheap supply of coal for the working classes from Irish collieries, as suggested by the Dublin Trades Council, will engage the attention of the Dublin Corporation at a special meeting on Monday next. They will have before them a report of the Estates and Finance Committee, who state that the supply of Irish coal is inadequate, and it would be necessary, if the Trades Council proposition was followed, to create a staff to deal with the distribution of the coal, which would be a substantial expense, while there was still the question of the power of the Corporation to expend money on a project of the kind. Given the necessary supplies of fuel, whether coal or peat, the Committee think that the existing charitable associations would be the proper medium to give effect to the wishes of the Trades Council. The developing of Irish coalfields was a matter of national rather than local importance, and they think the capital of Ireland is bound to deal with it from the national aspect. They were informed that a railway connecting the Modubeagh colliery working at Wolfhill with the Great Southern and Western Railway at Athy could be completed in six or eight weeks if a temporary bridge were laid over the River Barrow on the pillars which have been completed, pending steel being available for the permanent structure. With the railway completed, it is estimated, the present output of 80 tons per day could be raised to 200 tons per day, and to 1,000 tons in twelve months' time.

R.D.S. PURE-BRED BULL SHOW.

Entries for the show and sale of pure-bred bulls to be held by the Royal Dublin Society on February 5th at the auction mart of Messrs. Gavin Low, Ltd., 50 Prussia street, Dublin, have now closed, and their numbers are as follow:—

Shorthorns:—Bulls calved on or before August 31st, 1916—last year 7, this year 11; bulls calved on or after September 1st, 1916—25, this year 15; bulls calved in 1917—45, this year 32; dairy shorthorn bulls, calved between September 1st, 1916, and April 30th, 1917—5, this year 4; total—last year 80, this year 80.

Aberdeen-Angus:—Bulls calved on or before August 31st, 1916—last year 5, this year 4; bulls calved in 1916, from September 1st to November 30th—5, this year 7; bulls calved from December 1st, 1916, to November 30th, 1917—23, this year 33; total—last year 45, this year 44.

Herefords:—Bulls calved prior to 1917—last year 3, this year 3; bulls calved in 1917—21, this year 26; total—last year 24, this year 29.

A larger show and sale of pure-bred bulls will be held at the Lansdowne road grounds on April 9th and 10th.

AWARDS FOR BRAVERY.

MORE GALLANT DEEDS DESCRIBED.

Details of the gallant actions for which recent awards of the Military Cross were made are being published in special supplements to the *London Gazette*. Those just issued include the following:—

MILITARY CROSS.

Lt. (A./Capt.) Kenneth Vernon Barrett, Welsh R., Spec. Res., attd. M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He handled his guns with great skill, and was able, through his determination and disregard of danger, to direct their work, in spite of the very heavy shelling to which they were subjected. He was largely responsible for the success of the operations.

2nd Lt. Douglas Jamieson Blake, R.F.A.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst covering a raiding party with barrage fire, his battery became subjected to an intense hostile bombardment. By his splendid and fearless personal example he reorganised a detachment which had been thrown into confusion by a direct hit on the gun pit. He laid and fired the gun for some time himself, and afterwards continued to move about under heavy fire with a magnificent disregard of personal danger.

T. 2nd Lt. John Kemmy Boyle, R. Ir. Rif.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He showed the greatest coolness under fire, and led his company with ability and courage. When the enemy counter-attacked he organised counter-attacks upon them, thereby regaining all the ground which had been temporarily lost.

2nd Lt. Sydney Vincent Brady, Manch. R.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during a raid on an enemy trench. He showed great zeal and determination when in charge of the mopping-up party, leading them through the enemy wire and into the first enemy trench with great dash and fearlessness. He thoroughly searched every corner until prevented from advancing by our own barrage, greatly inspiring his men by his gallantry and good leadership.

2nd Lt. John Bernard Mary Burke, G. Gdrs.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of battalion communications. At a moment when his men had been caught by hostile barrage and most of them hit, he reorganised them with great gallantry and coolness under heavy shell fire, and was able to maintain a constant flow of valuable information as to the progress of the attack. On reaching the final objective he rapidly opened communication with the troops on either flank, and maintained them throughout the day in spite of continuous and heavy shelling.

2nd Lt. Joseph Patrick Coghlan, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a wiring party in front of our line. The work was started in daylight under heavy machine-gun, rifle, and shell fire, and, in spite of a number of casualties, he completed 900 yards of wire entanglement before dark. On subsequent occasions he has shown the same capacity for organisation and speed in carrying out his work.

T. Capt. Victor Lindley Connolly, R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He led his bearers again and again through barrages of shell fire to attend to the wounded, and it was owing to his splendid courage and personal example that his bearers were kept at work clearing the wounded from a heavily shelled area.

T. Capt. George Theodore Cregan, M.B., R.A.M.C.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in attending to the wounded under heavy shell fire. A few days later, after he had completed his usual round, he volunteered to remain at an advanced dressing station which was short-handed, and worked continually for nineteen hours, treating and evacuating over 700 cases. This gallant and devoted act was performed under continuous and heavy shell fire, during which the dressing station itself was hit. His personal example and disregard of danger has at all times been most marked.

Lt. Charles O'Brien Dickinson, R.G.A., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Although wounded early in the day, he continued to command his battery with the utmost skill and energy, thereby preventing hostile artillery from interfering with a most important reconnaissance.

2nd Lt. Bernard Edward Cooke Dixon, R.E.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in laying cables under heavy shell fire. He has shown the greatest fearlessness and gallantry in maintaining communications under very great difficulties, and although constantly exposed to heavy hostile shelling, he set a splendid example of coolness and determination to the men under his command.

2nd Lt. (T./Lt.) Thomas Dixon, R. Lan. R. and M.G. Corps.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty as transport officer when in charge of pack animals carrying machine guns and ammunition forward during an attack. He showed the greatest pluck and coolness in guiding the animals across enemy trenches and through hostile barrage, although his charger was twice wounded and he was twice thrown heavily owing to barbed wire. His men said that it was impossible for any officer to set them a finer example. He was severely wounded.

2nd Lt. James Driscoll, R. Fus.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During a raid upon enemy trenches he was in charge of parties detailed for working up the enemy communication trenches, and for mopping up the second line. He personally blew up an enemy trench mortar, whilst a second one was blown up by one of his N.C.O.'s, and after inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy, he withdrew his party and brought them safely back with eight prisoners.

T./2nd Lt. Kyran Donphy, Leins. R., Spec. Res.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. Whilst in charge of his platoon he attempted to rush a strong point and suffered heavy losses, whereupon he placed the remaining men under cover, went forward alone and tried to knock out the machine gun which was causing the damage. Whilst doing this he was badly wounded. He set a splendid example of grit and devotion to duty.

BRITISH EMPIRE ORDER.

MERCANTILE MARINE OFFICERS HONOURED.

Amongst the Mercantile Marine officers who have been awarded the Fourth Class of the Order of the British Empire are the following:—

Capt. Edmund Burton Bartlett, Capt. Neil McNeil, Capt. William John Dagnall, Capt. Thomas McComb Taylor, Capt. Peter McLean, Capt. David Taylor, Capt. John Thomas, Capt. Ernest William Bastard, Chief Engineer James Allan, Chief Engineer Thomas Anderson Bowman (Chief Engineer of the Belgian Prince), Chief Engineer Thomas Gowans, Chief Engineer Arthur Edward Philp, Chief Engineer William Grant, Chief Engineer Joseph McFarlane, Chief Engineer Alfred Evans Kelly, Chief Engineer James Foster.

THE D.S.O.

The Distinguished Service Order has recently been conferred on Lieutenant-Colonel G. N. Humphreys, A.S.C., son of the late William Humphreys, Broomfield House, Midleton, Co. Cork. He has served for over two years in France, and has been three times mentioned in despatches.

The D.S.O. has been conferred on Lieutenant-Colonel Rupert C. Smythe, Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers (attached West Yorkshire Regiment), son of Captain R. A. Smythe, Killiney. He was wounded in 1915, and has been mentioned in Sir Douglas Haig's despatches. He served in the South African War, and has the Queen's and King's Medals. Colonel Smythe's two brothers-in-law—Colonel Eoghan O'Brien, R.E., of Killiney, and Lieutenant-Commander Leslie Edmunds, R.N.V.R., of Galway—have also had honours conferred on them. Colonel O'Brien, who joined in October, 1914, and has served in France, Palestine, and Italy, and has been twice mentioned in despatches, has been awarded the D.S.O., while Lieutenant-Commander Edmunds has received the O.B.E.

The Rev. J. W. K. Griffin, a Church of Ireland clergyman, and brother of Mr. G. W. Griffin, Provincial Bank, Enniscorthy, who is serving as an Army chaplain, has been awarded the D.S.O.

THE MILITARY CROSS.

Captain Alexander Kirkpatrick Cosgrave, M.B., R.A.M.C., has been awarded the Military Cross. He is the younger son of the late Henry A. Cosgrave, Pembroke road, Dublin, and of Mrs. Cosgrave, Broomfield, Howth.

Honorary Captain and Quartermaster T. Mahony, Royal Irish Regiment, whose home is in Clonmel, has been awarded the Military Cross. This gallant officer, who has 26 years' service, has served continuously in France and Flanders since January, 1915. He has been mentioned in Sir John French's despatches during the present campaign.

THE NEW AERODROME BUILDINGS AND WORKSHOPS.

In connection with the dispute that has occurred regarding the building of aerodromes and workshops near Dublin, the general meeting of the Building Section of the Dublin Building Trades Employers' Association, having considered the proposals for the settlement of the differences with the several trades as put forward at the conference on the 8th inst., regret that it was necessary to make any exception in the building works covered by the signed agreement, but they heartily approve of the action taken by the Committee with the object of securing this very necessary employment for the city and district.

BRICKLAYERS AND THE STRIKE.

The situation created by the strike of bricklayers working at aerodromes in the County Dublin was discussed last evening at a meeting of the trade, when it was urged that in Great Britain a higher wage was being given for similar work. No definite action was decided upon, and the question was deferred to another meeting, to be held to-morrow night. There has been no further development in regard to the strike of carpenters employed at the aerodromes.

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN BAR.

To-day....	Morning	10.12	Evening	10.34
To-morrow..	,,	10.56	,,	11.18

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

To-day....	Rises ..	8.37	Sets	4.29
To-morrow..	,, ..	8.36	,,	4.31

LIGHTING-UP TIME .... 5.29 P.M.

FROM "THE TIMES" OF TO-DAY.

BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH THE PROPRIETORS OF *THE TIMES*.)

GENERAL MAUDE'S LAST DESPATCH.

A pathetic interest, says *The Times*, attaches to the despatch which we publish to-day from Sir Stanley Maude, because it is his last. There is a certain neatness and completeness about General Maude's operations in Mesopotamia which showed him to be, at any rate, a master of the older forms of warfare. After the battle of Ramadie he attacked from his centre and destroyed the advanced Turkish base at Tekrit on the Tigris, and finally he made a rapid march on the Dialah front, and cleared his right flank. Having hit the Turks heavily on both flanks and in the centre, he withdrew to his former position on the Tigris, though retaining his new flank positions. While he waited apparently in expectation of a Turkish advance in strength death found him. His successor, General Marshall, is still waiting, but the enemy make no sign. The whereabouts of General von Falkenhayn remains a mystery to the public, but we do not think the Mesopotamian campaign has reached its close. We have yet to see whether the enemy will endeavour to retake Jerusalem or Baghdad.

THE NEW BOARD OF ADMIRALTY.

The new Board of Admiralty, says *The Times*, embodies the present stage of the gradual and progressive adaptation of the peace organisation of the Navy to war conditions. The changes are of importance from two main standpoints. The first is their effect on naval policy; the second the alterations which they express in the internal organisation of the Admiralty itself. The first may be summed up by saying that war imposes upon any Navy that keeps the sea an almost daily necessity for the adaptation of naval policy to conditions that are constantly changing. We doubt whether the reality of this necessity has been adequately realised in this country since the war began. The German Navy is pinned within its harbours, and there is an end of what the public thinks about it. But its immobility is pregnant with infinite possibilities of action. These possibilities British naval policy has to foresee, and against them it has to make provision. Yet the only form of naval activity which takes the public eye in this country is that of the submarines. Their threat is palpable enough. It does not grow less, as the returns for the last two weeks have shown, and if it imposes upon the people of this country the strictest duty of economy in all essentials, it lays upon the Admiralty the task of the most vigorous provision of every possible means of defence against it. The recent changes at the Admiralty are the outcome of a belief, not confined to the public, that the utmost has not yet been done in this respect. Older men cling to older ways, younger men believe that they can more readily adapt themselves to new conditions, if they receive sufficient freedom of action. The problem has been to ensure that the younger and more ardent spirits of the Navy shall have every opportunity for showing what they can do.

THE GERMAN FOOD SITUATION.

The *Berliner Tageblatt*, says *The Times*, publishes some extracts from an eleventh report of food control measures, covering the period from the end of February to the end of November, which has been presented to the Reichstag. The official conclusion is as follows:—

"We are armed for the fourth year of war with economical and appropriate measures. Our supplies will suffice to secure the feeding of our people for the future also. It is true that, just as little as in the past year, shall we be able to do without the intelligent and ready co-operation of producers and consumers. The German farmer must not grow weary in maintaining production, in spite of all difficulties, and the consumer will have to accept all the restrictions required by the situation, and to bear them with the same devotion and steadfastness with which he has borne the heavy trials of the past economic year. If all sections of the community co-operate in this fashion for the one great aim, our enemies' starvation scheme will be brought to nought." There is at present an unmistakable change of tone in both official and also unofficial discussions of the food situation. A characteristic leading article in the *Frankfurter Zeitung* is resigned and almost depressed. It maintains that there has never been more need for the Germans to appreciate their peril, and to understand that their enemies will take just as full advantage of a victory in "the war of starvation" as they would take of victory in the field.

NEW PUBLIC MEALS ORDER.

We understand, says *The Times*, that, in conjunction with the Meatless Day Order already foreshadowed, the Ministry of Food are preparing a revision of the Public Meals Order of last year, under which rationing by bulk is imposed on hotels, restaurants, clubs, boarding-houses, and other "public eating places." The Order as it stands lays down the following scale of average quantities of meat, sugar, bread, and flour for each meal for each person as the basis on which each establishment is rationed:—

	Meat.	Sugar.	Bread.	Flour.
Breakfast	2oz.	2oz.	2oz.	Nil
Luncheon, (including middle-day dinner)	5oz.	2oz.	2oz.	1oz.
Dinner (including supper and meat tea)	5oz.	2oz.	2oz.	1oz.
Tea	Nil	2oz.	2oz.	Nil

Two ounces of poultry and game are reckoned as 1 ounce of meat. The weight of meat is the uncooked weight, including bone, as delivered by the butcher. No account is taken of any meal between 9.30 p.m. and 5 a.m. "Meat" includes "butchers' meat, sausage, ham, pork, bacon, venison, and preserved and potted meats." Under the revised Order important alterations are contemplated in this scale, particularly in regard to meat. It is believed that there will be a prohibition of meat for breakfast. No final decision has yet been taken either on this or on the Meatless Day Order, but it is anticipated that their issue will not long be delayed.

IRISH PRINCIPAL TEACHERS.

At a meeting in Belfast of the Committee of the Irish Principal Teachers' Union resolutions were unanimously adopted deprecating strongly the present plan of campaign pursued by the Chief Secretary for Ireland and the Treasury by their virulent attacks upon all official recommendations for the improvement of teachers; desiring to support the Commissioners in their efforts to obtain an increased war bonus; regretting that a number of public men in Ireland have been misled and have inadvertently associated themselves with a movement which totally ignores the advantages arising from rapid promotions, annual increments, and the abolition of standard numbers, and which ends the anomaly of paying the Irish teacher with a school of over 400 pupils less than half the salary of his English or Scotch colleagues similarly situated; declaring that the proposed affiliation of the I.N.T.O. with the Trades Council on a snatch vote of 3,000 out of over 13,000 teachers will in all probability lead to the disintegration of the organisation, and will be inimical to the best interests of the teaching profession; and earnestly requesting all Irish members of Parliament to support the Commissioners of National Education in their claims for £784,000 as the irreducible minimum to satisfy the needs of Irish primary education.

COURTMARTIAL AT CORK.

At the Cork barracks yesterday, at a district courtmartial (Captain Grounds, President), Private John Guest, Lincoln Regiment, was charged with having, in December, at the Military Hospital, assaulted a V.A.D. nurse by putting his arms around her and attempting to kiss her. Lieutenant T. Heaton prosecuted, and F. W. Wynne, solicitor, defended.

For the defence it was alleged that the whole thing was a joke. The accused, who had been brought to the hospital, never intended to insult the lady.

The finding of the Court will be promulgated.

FISHING BOAT SUNK BY SUBMARINE.

Reuter has received information of the latest instance of German brutality at sea. On Wednesday a large German submarine encountered in the North Sea the Premier, a small unarmed drifter (fishing vessel). The U-boat at once opened fire on the little craft, a vessel of only 80 tons, with her two guns, and capsized the fishing boat. The submarine temporarily retired, but returned and saw the crew hanging on to the bottom of their vessel. She then made off, leaving her victims to their fate. One man was killed and one badly injured, but the remainder were subsequently rescued after a period of terrible suffering. The weather was bitterly cold, and it was snowing heavily.

WESTERN FRONT

BRITISH RAIDS SOUTH OF YPRES.

ENEMY PUNISHED.

Sir Douglas Haig reports a successful raid by London and Rifle regiments at three points south of Ypres. They inflicted many casualties on the enemy, and took two machine guns and some prisoners.

The enemy guns were busy in the region of Gonnelieu.

BRITISH OFFICIAL.

Thursday, 9.50 a.m.—Hostile artillery has shown some slight activity in the neighbourhood of Gonnelieu. Otherwise there is nothing of special interest to report.

Thursday, 10.3 p.m.—Early this morning London and Rifle regiments successfully raided at three different points the enemy's trenches south-east of Ypres, inflicting many casualties and capturing a few prisoners and two machine guns. Hostile artillery has been active during the day south of Bullecourt, west of Lens, and east of Ypres.

Aviation.—During the morning of the 9th inst. there was great activity in the air. A great deal of artillery work was accomplished, and many photographs were taken. Bombs were dropped on the enemy's billets and hutments, and hostile troops in the trenches were repeatedly attacked with machine gun fire from a low altitude. Four hostile machines were brought down in air fighting, and two others were driven down out of control. Three of our aeroplanes are missing. Of these, two were seen to collide during a combat over the enemy's lines. After 1 p.m. snow fell, rendering flying impossible.

FRENCH OFFICIAL.

Thursday Afternoon.—We easily repulsed an enemy raid on our small posts on the western edge of the high forest of Coucy. The artillery activity was fairly marked in the region of Vauxaillon. Everywhere else the night was quiet.

Thursday Night.—There was artillery activity on both sides in Champagne, the region of the heights, and on the Bezonvaux-Caurières Wood front. No infantry action is reported.

GERMAN OFFICIAL.

Thursday Afternoon.—South-west of Ypres there was a lively artillery duel during the afternoon. West of Zandvoorde a strong English reconnoitring attack, which was launched during the night, broke down. There was very little fighting activity on the remainder of the front.

In December the enemy losses in aircraft on the German front amounted to nine captive balloons and 119 aeroplanes, of which 47 came down behind our lines. The rest were observed to fall behind the enemy positions. We have lost in battle 82 aeroplanes and two captive balloons.

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

Italian Official.—During yesterday the artillery struggle, generally not intense, became more violent at intervals to the east of the Brenta. Our reconnaissance parties captured prisoners to the west of Canove di Sotto, on the left of the Assa, and provoked a long reaction of fire on the part of the enemy. At Grave di Papadopoli hostile working and armed parties were dispersed. Hostile trench mortars fighting in the neighbourhood of S. Dona were silenced by our batteries.

Austrian Official.—West of Asiago an enemy attack was repulsed.

GOOD YEAR AT DUBLIN PORT.

The first business to be transacted at the meeting of the Dublin Port and Docks Board yesterday was the election of a Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the current year. The Lord Mayor having taken the chair,

Mr. Goodbody proposed the re-election of Alderman James Moran, J.P., as Chairman. He bore testimony to the untiring attention Alderman Moran had given to the affairs of the port during the past year, and to the ability he had displayed in all matters brought under his notice.

Mr. Hollwey seconded the resolution on behalf of the shipping members, and referred to the impartial way in which Alderman Moran had carried out his duties.

Sir James M. Gallagher and Mr. Field, M.P., agreed that the position of Chairman had never been more competently filled than during the past year.

Alderman O'Beirne, Mr. Scott, Mr. Barry, Mr. Crowe, Sir James Murphy, Mr. Byrne, M.P.; Mr. Wallace, Mr. M'Cormick, and others also bore testimony to the work done by Alderman Moran while acting as Chairman.

The resolution having been unanimously adopted,

The Lord Mayor congratulated Alderman Moran on his re-election, and said he was the best Chairman he had ever sat under. He (the Lord Mayor) looked forward to seeing a great graving dock started in Dublin, and if the work was started during the current year they might fittingly call it the Moran Dock. (Hear, hear.)

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT.

Alderman Moran took the chair amid applause. He sincerely thanked the members for the honour they had conferred upon him. Referring to the condition of affairs at the port, he spoke of the dispute between the Board and the Dublin Dockyard Company, which reached an acute stage shortly after he became Chairman. It was a matter on which the members held very divergent views. He thought then, and he thought still, that the company's claim was a reasonable one, and, as they were aware, he took up a rather strong attitude in connection with it. He should like it to be on record that from that day to this there had not been one discordant note in connection with the transaction. The change over was going on most satisfactorily. In July, as they were aware, they were approached by Mr. H. G. Burgess on behalf of the Government, for additional shed accommodation. Thanks to Mr. Burgess' efforts, and the Chief Secretary's sympathetic interest, they were able to come to an arrangement which would, after the war, be of great benefit to the port. Mr. Burgess succeeded in getting the money from the Government on condition that the Board of Works approved of the sheds, railway, etc. This brought him (the Chairman) in contact with Sir George Stevenson, and he wanted to say that if all Government officials were like him there would be less trouble in this country. (Hear, hear.) He fought his corner and made the best bargain he could, but he was amenable to reason, and he found his word his bond. In fact he (the Chairman) let him go ahead long before the lawyers had settled their differences, otherwise they would not now have the sheds and railway almost complete. The question of dues on goods was not yet quite settled, but their Vice-Chairman and Law Agent, both of whom had charge of the entire question from the start, could be relied upon to bring it to a successful finish. As to the financial position of the Board on the year's working, they began the year with a credit balance of some £2,000, and wound up the year with £52,000—a net gain of £50,000. In addition to this they had expended a large sum on the Dockyard change over, also on various repairs of plant, and considerable purchases of stock for various departments. Last, but not least, they had the new sheds and railway. Those various items represented another £50,000, so that they were actually £100,000 better off than they were a year ago. Nothing succeeded like success. They had now turned the corner, it needed only a long pull and a strong pull and a pull all together to make the port what nature intended it should be, namely, the premier port of this country. (Hear, hear.)

On the motion of Mr. Crowe, seconded by the Lord Mayor, Mr. Hollwey was unanimously re-elected Vice-Chairman.

APPRENTICES TO SKILLED TRADES.

Dr. Sherlock drew attention to remarks made by the Chairman as to the refusal of the trades' unions to permit a sufficient number of apprentices to be employed, so that the supply of skilled artisans should be equal to the demand, and suggested that the Chairman and a few other members of the Board should go into the whole subject and see what could be done.

Mr. Scott said the Dockyard Company were handicapped in many respects by the want of men, owing to the action of the trades' unions limiting the number of apprentices. He might mention that he had to send away repair work in which there was upwards of £10,000 in wages simply for the reason that the work could not be done. He thought the position taken up by the unions was wrong, and that they were not acting in their own interests.

The Board appointed a sub-committee, consisting of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman, Mr. Scott, Mr. Daly, and Dr. Sherlock to consider the matter and confer with representatives of the allied trades.

The following members attended the meeting:—The Lord Mayor, and subsequently Alderman Moran, in the chair; John Hollwey (Vice-Chairman), Sir James Murphy, Bart., D.L.; Sir James M. Gallagher, T.C.; Alderman Thos. M. O'Beirne, Alderman Alfred Byrne, M.P.; Dr. L. G. Sherlock, P. T. Daly, William Field, M.P.; Frederick H. Hall, Thos. R. McCullagh, Wm. Wallace, J.P.; Marcus Goodbody, J.P.; John Mooney, jun.; Laurence W. Martin, William Crowe, Walter Scott, James W. Hill, J.P.; David Barry, Joseph Peters, S. S. McCormick, J.P.; William Hewat, and George Byrne, J.P.

SCOTLAND YARD reports the escape, from Sealand Prisoners of War Camp, near Chester, yesterday afternoon, of two German prisoners of war, dressed in tweed knickerbocker suits, with puttees and civilian overcoats.

SIR STANLEY MAUDE'S LAST DESPATCH.

OPERATIONS AFTER BAGDAD.

FIGHTING UNDER DIFFICULTIES.

A pathetic interest attaches to the despatch of Lieutenant-General Sir Stanley Maude, which was published in a supplement to the *London Gazette* last evening. It deals with operations in the Mesopotamian area from April 1st to September 30th of last year. Sir Stanley Maude died on the 18th November, and consequently this despatch, which is dated October 15th, is probably his last. The operations covered by the despatch are those following the fall of Bagdad.

General Maude writes:—In order to provide for the security of Bagdad, which is an open city devoid of means of defence, it seemed desirable to prosecute our operations against the shattered but reinforced columns of the 18th Turkish Corps, with which we had been so recently engaged, whilst keeping careful watch on the movements of the 13th Turkish Corps, which was falling back before our Russian Allies, lest the enemy should detach troops from this direction against the right flank and rear of our movement towards Samarrah. The pressure applied by the Russian columns which had already reached Karind with advanced troops at Khanikin, assisted by our troops operating in the Jebel Hamrin, as described in my last despatch, now forced the enemy to cross the Dialah and continue his retreat on Kifri. On April 2nd we effected a junction with General Baratoff's troops about Kizil Robat, and as soon as these were well established on the line of the Dialah our column in this vicinity—having served the double purpose of harassing the retreat of the Turks and joining hands with the Russians—was withdrawn. This enabled us to resume our operations along both banks of the Tigris, which had been temporarily suspended.

These operations resulted, on the 9th April, in the capture of Harbe, and the driving of the enemy across the Shatt El Adhaim.

CAPTURE OF SAMARRAH.

In the vicinity of Samarrah a strong Turkish force was located, and at 5 a.m. on the 21st this was attacked by the Black Watch and 8th Gurkhas, under a creeping barrage, and both battalions made steady progress. In spite of a hot rifle and machine gun fire from the main position the redoubt near the river was captured, and the garrison made prisoners. The other redoubt on this side of the Canal was assaulted, recaptured by the enemy, and finally secured by us, thus giving our troops a good foothold in this part of the enemy's defences. At 6.30 a.m. an attack by the Seaforths and 28th and 92nd Punjabis was launched south of the Canal. This advance was carried out with fine dash and gallantry across 2,000 yards of ground devoid of cover, and by 7.25 a.m. the enemy's front line, some 700 yards long, was in our hands. Consolidation proceeded, and in spite of several counter-attacks all gains were held.

Samarrah Station was captured on the 23rd, the enemy retreating on Tekrit.

Whilst these operations were in progress on the right bank, it became evident that the 13th Turkish Corps was once more moving forward from the Jebel Hamrin, but this time down the Shatt El Adhaim, against our forces on the left bank of the Tigris, and the latter were accordingly readjusted to deal with the new situation.

Briefly put, the plan adopted was to throw our weight on the 30th up the left bank of the Shatt El Adhaim against the enemy's weaker flank and more shattered division, and then turning north and west to drive him away from water and his line of retreat. By 8 a.m. all objectives had been reached, including the village of Adaim, and the retreating Turks were being engaged at long range, whilst a number of prisoners were already in our hands. Two of our companies, however, which had lost nearly all their officers, advanced too far in pursuit. For a moment they captured two batteries, a section of machine guns, and many prisoners, but whilst still out of touch with the remainder of our force they were counter-attacked and isolated. They maintained a gallant hand-to-hand fight for some time, but few of them survived. This counter-attack, assisted by the configuration of the ground and the dust storm, which was now raging, enabled the enemy temporarily to regain the village of Adaim, but, checked here by artillery and machine gun fire, he was unable to debouch, and was ultimately driven out again by 11 a.m., and our infantry firmly re-established themselves in the village.

FIGHTING AT JEBEL HAMRIN.

As a result of the fighting during the month of April the enemy's 13th and 18th Corps had been driven back on divergent lines, the former into the Jebel Hamrin and the latter to Tekrit. The 13th Corps had twice taken the offensive, with results disastrous to itself, and the 18th Corps had been defeated and driven from its selected positions on four occasions. Our total captures for the month amounted to some 3,000 prisoners and 17 guns, besides a considerable quantity of rolling stock and booty of all kinds. The objectives which we had set out to reach had been secured, and the spirit of the enemy's troops was broken.

During the remaining months of the period under review the heat was intense, and little fighting was possible. In July it seemed desirable to increase our hold on the Euphrates line, and accordingly it was decided to take Sinn El Zibban, which was occupied on the 8th.

Subsequently plans were developed for an attack on Ramadie, and this position was taken on the 29th August.

In his despatch Sir Stanley Maude several times refers to the gallantry, endurance, and devotion to duty of all ranks in the most trying conditions. He specially mentions the services of Lieutenant-General Sir W. R. Marshall, Lieutenant-General Sir A. S. Cobbe, V.C.; Major-General Sir H. T. Brooking, Major-General Sir George MacMunn, and the Hon. Sir Percy Cox.

RAIN IN MESOPOTAMIA.

The Secretary of the War Office announces that during the period January 3rd to 9th there was heavy rain in Mesopotamia, which caused the Tigris and its tributaries to rise, and the country in parts of our front became flooded. On January 3rd a Turkish aeroplane was brought down by one of our machines and destroyed. There is no military action of importance to report.

AIRMAN'S GALLANTRY.

The death of Lieutenant Cecil Olcher Fedden, following a flying accident, has brought to light an act of remarkable bravery performed by Flight Commander Hodges, R.F.C. When 1,200 feet above the sea, over the Channel, the engine of Lieutenant Fedden's machine suddenly stopped. He nose-dived with the intention of making the engine pick up, but without avail, and he and his observer fell with the aeroplane into the sea. The observer swam to the shore, but Lieutenant Fedden was too exhausted to do so. Flight Commander Hodges flew to the scene, and, dropping into the sea near Lieutenant Fedden's machine while his aeroplane was flying low, secured the then unconscious man. He held him tightly pressed to his body for warmth for three-quarters of an hour, when both were picked up alive, but unconscious, by a fishing boat. Lieutenant Fedden died later from exposure.

THE LORDS AND WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

In last night's division in the House of Lords on the women's suffrage, which was adopted by 134 votes to 71, party lines were obliterated. The leading members of the Government, Lord Milner, Lord Derby, Lord Rothermere, Lord Lytton, Lord Emmott, and Lord Rhondda, voted for women's suffrage, while the Lord Chancellor voted against and Lord Curzon abstained. Lords Lansdowne, Halsbury, Loreburn, and Bryce supported the amendment, while in the opposite lobby were Lords Crewe, Salisbury, Lytton, Devonport, Gladstone, Haldane, Harcourt, Morley of Blackburn, Brodrick, and Courtney. The two Archbishops and all the twelve Bishops present supported women's suffrage.

ÆOLIAN GLEE SINGERS' CHORAL SOCIETY.

A very large gathering took place in the Mansion House, Dublin, last evening for a choral and instrumental concert given by the Æolian Glee Singers' Choral Society, demonstrating beyond question the wide esteem in which its work is held. In regard to the choral work generally, Mr. T. H. Weaving, the conductor, seemed to adopt a policy of caution. This held the advantage over a more energetic one, in that it gave time for the singers to show a really excellent combined tone; but in "The Abbot of Inisfallen" (Molyneux Palmer), for instance, one result was a loss of momentum, and consequently a lack of cohesion between the phases. The singers themselves appeared to become rather tired of the story. Pitch was generally well maintained, and the chorus showed themselves thoughtful of their words, which were clearly pronounced, and responsive to the conductor's directions in making the compositions expressive; and there was unity in taking up leads. Mr. T. W. Hall sang the solos in the ballad, and gave some songs in his best artistic style. Miss Kathleen Roddy also contributed solos, and the purity of her voice and the earnest manner of her singing commended it greatly. Miss Muriel Goodman's violin solos helped to make the programme enjoyable. Mr. George O'Neill did well as accompanist, and the orchestra of the Students' Musical Union, R.I.A.M., contributed a share to the success of the concert.

MR. BALFOUR AND A LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

MR. WILSON'S MESSAGE.

EUROPE AND A GERMAN PEACE.

Mr. Balfour, addressing a great war aims meeting, attended by nearly four thousand people, in the Usher Hall, Edinburgh, last night, referred to the complete and sympathetic understanding which now joined America and ourselves together. The events of the last few days had shown how close the agreement was. There was the statement by Mr. Lloyd George, speaking in the first place for the Government and in the second place for the whole nation—(cheers)—and then almost simultaneously we had the magnificent pronouncement of President Wilson. America had but recently taken their full and rightful place in the community, and entered into the struggle against barbarism and tyranny. The pronouncement of President Wilson was one of the greatest that he had made. Never did a great nation have its cause put more clearly, eloquently, and in broader lines than Mr. Wilson had put it. The date on which the United States entered the war was one of the most important in the annals of mankind. But these two great pronouncements contained nothing which was not implicitly contained in former utterances.

GERMAN METHODS AND AIMS.

We never went into the war for selfish objects; we did not stop in it for selfish objects, and we were not going to fight the war to a finish for selfish objects. He could see no improvement in the attitude of Germany. He could not understand that the Germans had even begun to understand the moral horror that their procedure had instilled into the most recalcitrant student of German methods and aims. He referred to the devastation of Belgium, and remarked that there was a school of statesmen in Germany who said it would be criminal folly to abandon Belgium. If Germany left Belgium to-morrow they would leave a derelict country and a starving population. We knew now the precise object for which we were fighting, and we also knew what object the Germans were fighting for. Peace was longed for by neutral and belligerent alike; the world panted for peace. What was in the way of peace? It was the fact, apparently, that the war aims of the contending parties could not be reconciled. We knew that by the mere statement of our war aims, and the refusal of our enemies even to consider them. What were the Germans fighting for? They were fighting for the converse of what we were fighting for. Germans must see that if they were called upon, month by month, to endure the slow agony of war, it was not for any truly German object, but that it was for certain ambitions which stood in the way of all that was most hopeful in international relations, and all that promised best for the independent development of nations in the future. We had the picture, as presented by President Wilson and our Prime Minister, on the one hand, and the contrasted picture, which we could paint by inference, of Germany on the other. It was in the power of all mankind to see which was truly the picture which represented the best hopes and prospects of mankind.

NO KNIGHT ERRANTRY.

He thought the world, outside Germany and Turkey, had long made up their mind on that subject, but it was as well that these steps should have been taken to drive it home to the conscience of the German people themselves. Some critics at home might say—"Your aims and objects are good ones, but is it our business to fight for them?" The answer to that was this: with the world as it is, and with Germany's methods and ambitions and morality in existence, not one of the objects mentioned by President Wilson or the Prime Minister was remote from the homes of Britain or America. (Cheers.) This was not a knight errant business in which men, doubtless with high ideals, set forth in some distant quest, looking out for wrongs to remedy and fair ladies to release. This was a hard, practical necessity. It required imagination to grasp. It required something more than a mere parochial outlook to see that our highest interests—not our immediate, material interests—our highest moral and national interests were bound up with the fate of the nation whose language we could not speak, and with whose history many of them there were very imperfectly acquainted. We could not think merely within our own shores.

A LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

He was not going to discuss now whether the League of Nations had reached the stage of being a practical ideal. He admitted the immense difficulties which lay in the way of the constructive statesmanship which would make it a working and effective instrument. While he recognised the difficulties, he thought it was mean and cowardly to shrink from them, and he hoped the civilised world would take that problem seriously in hand and see it through. If we were going to have a League of Nations to render international relations stable, and secure peace, then we must have international relations which were themselves worthy of all the effort which the League of Nations would require if it was to be effective. There had been a League of Nations in the past called the Holy Alliance, and it had left a name of infamy for dynastic selfishness and reactionary folly, of which it was severally and collectively guilty. It broke down on the moral side. They forgot when they made this arrangement to prevent war that there were some things which you had to fight, and ought to fight. The result was that the Holy Alliance perished. If you were to have a League of Nations which was to guard the stability of international relationships you must surely give them, to start with, an arrangement of territory which should not too grossly violate equity and freedom.

A GERMAN PEACE.

If the German peace were carried out there would be left all over Europe what, he believed, would be centres from which morbid effects would flow. There would be left France with the great wrong of Alsace-Lorraine unredeemed, Poland still a maimed and dismembered community. The great work of Italian unification would be left imperfectly accomplished, a large fraction of the East would be left under the alien and most sterilising and often brutal rule of the Turk; Armenia would still be there a sacrifice; Greece would be handed over to those who had already betrayed her, and nothing would be done for the great Slav populations of South-Eastern Europe. There might be people who thought that that was not an undesirable result, but there were very few such people in this country, and very few in any Western State. Whether they were right or wrong, he said that that was a state of things under which you would never get a League of Nations to work properly. You could not bring together the great and small Powers of the world and say—"It is your business to see that boundaries are not violated, and to see that intrigue in this or that country is not going to spread the conflagration of internal warfare," unless you beforehand so arranged matters that the stability of the internal system was a natural stability, based upon morality and nationality and freedom. But were we to leave Europe as this war found it, and if the war ended by a German peace, it would not be left as the war found it, but far worse. (Cheers.) If we left Europe as the war found it we should leave it the poorer with wrong more or less triumphant. It would be left with no guarantee against a repetition of war, except mere weariness and horror.

POWER NOT ALL THAT COUNTS.

Surely it might not be beyond civilisation to find some more solid foundation for the future felicity of mankind than the mere recollection of the horrors and abominations of war. Could not we rise to a higher level, could not we forget the brutal system under which power was not only all that counted, but all that ought to count in the arrangement of the world? These were notes and observations which he ventured to make upon the two great documents which within the last few days had been issued from London and Washington. Was not the cause which he had been pleading worthy of every effort? Who doubted the sacrifices we had made? Who doubted the sacrifices we might be called upon to make?

Never had he felt more proud of his country than during those strenuous months, in which we had not merely to use to the best of our ability the fighting machine which we had in August, 1914, but to create and recreate a new fighting machine which had more than equalled the performance and great and immortal glories of its predecessors. The calamities of war were great. It required no imagination to picture, no knowledge to catalogue them; but let them believe him when he said that, however we summed them up and estimated them, at however high a rate we put them, all the horrors that war could cause were not equal for a moment to the evils which would come upon us and our children and our grandchildren if this war were to end with a German peace. (Cheers.)

At vote of thanks to Mr. Balfour was moved by a local representative of the Labour party.

DAYLIGHT SHOOTING OUTRAGE IN COUNTY GALWAY.

A correspondent writes:—A shooting outrage took place near Tuam on Sunday morning last, the victim being Mr. James Alcorn, formerly Secretary of the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests. It appears that Mr. Alcorn was going to Mass at Currydonagh Church about 11 o'clock, when he was shot at by two disguised men wearing masks. About twelve pellets entered his neck and shoulder. His condition is not, however, serious. It is stated that at the time of the shooting there were several persons within a hundred yards of the scene of the occurrence. Up to yesterday no arrests had been made.

THE Roman Catholic General Hospital at Ottawa was yesterday partly destroyed by fire. Four children lost their lives.

AMERICA'S CREATIVE WAR WORK.

SUBSTANTIAL ARMY IN FRANCE.

RECORD TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT.

STATEMENT BY MR. BAKER.

A Reuter telegram, dated Washington, Thursday, says:—Mr. Baker, Secretary for War, in a statement to the Senate's War Investigation Committee on the American Army Preparations, said that the United States had in France an army of substantial size ready for active service. The officers and men had been trained specially for modern warfare. Independent lines of communication and supply were in process of construction, and great plans had been formulated for the production of new instruments of war. Arms of the most modern and effective kind were being provided for every soldier in France, and were available for every fighting man who could be sent to France in 1918. There was an army of nearly 1½ millions in the field or in training at home or abroad. No army of a similar size, in the history of the world, had ever been raised, equipped, and trained so quickly, and no such provision had ever been made for the comfort, health, and general well-being of an army. The total number already in military service was one and a half times as large as any force ever mobilised by the American nation. Outlining the War Department's work, Mr. Baker said that on the 1st day of April, 1917, the Regular Army comprised 5,791 officers and 121,797 enlisted men. The National Guard in the Federal service was, approximately, 3,733 officers and 78,713 enlisted men. The reserve was 4,000 enlisted men, and also, approximately, 2,573 officers in the reserve. On the 31st December, 1917, the Regular Army consisted of 10,250 officers and 475,000 enlisted men. The National Guard had 16,031 officers and 400,900 men. In nine months the increase has been from 9,524 officers to 110,856, and from 202,510 to 1,428,650 men. The appropriations during 1918 for the War Department aggregates 7,527 million dollars, fifty times as great as the appropriations for 1915, taken as a normal year. Of this total, 3,200 millions were for ordnance. Department contracts amounting to 1,677 million dollars have already been placed. The aviation section on April 1st last consisted of 65 officers and 1,120 men. On January 1st it consisted of 3,900 officers and 82,120 men. Mr. Baker gave the following summing up of the War Department's work:—

1. A large army is in the field, and in training the number is so large that further increments can be adequately equipped and trained as rapidly as those already in training can be transported.

2. The army has been enlisted and selected without serious dislocation of the industries of the country.

3. The training of the army is proceeding rapidly, and its spirit is high. The initial clothing supply was temporarily inadequate, but the supply is now substantially complete.

4. A substantial Army is already in France, ready for active service.

5. Independent lines of communication and supply, and vast storage facilities are in progress of construction there.

6. A great programme of manufacture of additional equipment and the production of new instruments of war have been formulated.

The Secretary called the Committee's particular attention to the facts that on April 1st the Ordnance Department consisted of 97 officers, and the Quartermaster-General's Department of 347 officers, while now they comprised, respectively, 3,000 and 6,431 officers. The Secretary said:—In the first place the American people is entitled to know the splendid effectiveness with which they have been able to organise the man-power and material power of the nation in a great cause. In the second, our Army in France, under General Pershing, and our Allies, are entitled to have the benefit resulting from the depression of *moral* of their enemies which must come when the Germans realise that the American democracy has neither blundered nor hesitated, but has actually brought the full power of its men and resources into completely organised strength against their military machine.

THE BREST-LITOVSK NEGOTIATIONS.

EXPECTED ARRANGEMENT.

The first sitting of the resumed Peace Negotiations at Brest-Litovsk took place yesterday, says a Reuter message dated Wednesday, and the discussion centred around the selection of a place in some neutral country in which to continue the deliberations. The Official Note on the subject, says that there is every probability of a satisfactory arrangement being reached.

According to a Reuter Amsterdam message, a telegram to the *Weser Zeitung* from Vienna says:—It is believed in Austrian Government circles that the Brest-Litovsk negotiations may yield a definite result by January 20.

Reuter's Correspondent at Amsterdam says:—A telegram from Brest-Litovsk, dated Thursday, and received *via* Berlin, states that, at this morning's sitting of the Conference, the Russian Delegation declared itself ready to continue the peace negotiations at Brest-Litovsk. The telegram adds:—It is further confirmed that the account of the sitting held on December 28th, published by the Wolf Bureau, corresponds to the actual facts. The report circulated by the Russian Telegraph Agency of the proceedings at this sitting is regarded by the Russians as inaccurate.

A *Times* telegram from Petrograd, on Wednesday, says:—

Trotsky and his colleagues arrived at the Russo-German front on the night of January 6th, which is the Russian Christmas Eve, and opened negotiations on Monday, the 7th. They were joined by a delegation from the Ukraine, which has finally come to terms with the Bolshevists, much to the satisfaction of the powers that be of the Smolny Institute. The Germans, on the other hand, would appear to be far from pleased at this Russian reinforcement at the Peace Conference. At the first meeting Trotsky declared that he had not come to Brest-Litovsk as the representative of a defeated nation, and that he had no intention whatsoever of suing for mercy. He was there to act as he had done before, in the character of a true revolutionary. He said, "We shall contend for a free, independent Russia, and for the future of the great masses of workers. If Imperialists refuse to meet the free wishes of the free people let the working democracies of the Central Powers put in a weighty word on their behalf. They will not suffer young Russia to be wiped off the face of the earth, and enslaved by conquering Imperialists. Should that fail, the Russian democracy will fight to the bitter end. In that case it will not be war in the trenches at the front, but a rising up of the people and barricades at every step against the oppressor."

Trotsky spoke for more than an hour. In conclusion, he insisted upon having the further conduct of the negotiations transferred to Stockholm. After half an hour's pause for deliberation, the Germans declared their willingness to go on with the negotiations.

At the secret Conference a few days ago, attended by the people's commissaries and representatives of the military authorities on the subjects of demobilisation, Lenin expressed his fear that the peace negotiations might fail, and that it was, therefore, necessary to delay disbanding the Army, and to consider measures for restoring its fighting capacity and for the defence of Petrograd. It is stated that the Smolny Government is determined to compel the Constituent Assembly, which will meet on January 18, to confirm all acts and decrees of the Bolshevist Council already issued, otherwise the Bolshevists will suppress the Assembly, and transfer the Council of the People's Commissaries into a National Convention.

GERMAN DYE RECIPES.

The part played by Mr. F. M. Rowe, of the Manchester School of Technology, in securing for this country a large number of German dyes, was explained at Manchester yesterday by Mr. Rowe in the following terms:—When men who had been at work procuring recipes approached the Government and asked that some chemist should proceed to Switzerland and undertake a practical test of a selected recipe, I was deputed to carry the matter through. My journey was an uneventful one. I had to complete a test, give my conclusions, and return home. That is exactly what occurred. I believe there was some little trouble in securing a laboratory, but that was outside my business. The statement is made, however, that when I saw the recipe I declared it to be useless, and that I was amazed to find it correct. On the contrary, I declared that there was no doubt that the claims made for the chosen colour would be substantiated, and after a practical test had been made the recipe proved accurate in all respects. The recipes described in detail the actual methods in which these dyes had been prepared. As to their value to the country no one can say, since we do not know to what extent colour works at present have advanced in discovering information that we did not possess prior to the war.

FLAX-GROWING IN COUNTY ROSCOMMON.

Recently a number of flax merchants from the North of Ireland visited the Roscommon district with a view to obtaining land for the growing of flax. They examined large farms throughout the county, and learned that sufficient land would be obtainable to justify the undertaking. As a result, Mr. William Black, J.P., Roscommon, has been appointed agent by a Belfast firm to take for the coming season at least 500 acres for the cultivation of flax.

PARLIAMENT.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

BIG MAJORITY IN THE LORDS.

LORD CURZON'S SPEECH.

HOUSE OF LORDS—Thursday.

The LORD CHANCELLOR took his seat on the Woolsack at 3.30.

The Wills (Soldiers' and Sailors') Bill passed through Committee.

The House again went into Committee on the Representation of the People Bill, the Earl of Kintore in the chair, and resumed the discussion of Earl Loreburn's proposed amendment to Clause 4, deleting the Parliamentary Vote for Women.

The LORD CHANCELLOR, expressing his own individual views, said that the House was bound to form its own judgment on the question. Parliament did not sit merely to register the resolutions of any Conference, however authoritative. They might derive great assistance from the recommendations of a Committee, but in the last resort Parliament must decide for itself. The recommendation of the Speaker's Conference on this matter was a mere compromise, arrived at by a narrow majority, very late in the sittings. There was no principle of any sort or kind underlying it, and it would only be used as a lever for agitation for further changes. This proposal was quite separable from the rest of the bill. It could be removed, and still leave a very admirable bill, quite complete in itself. He did not see how it could be an insult to women to say that they did not think the time had arrived for making a change of this kind. It would only leave matters as they were. Supposing the result of the alteration in the franchise turned out to be disastrous, what figure, then, would that Parliament cut at the bar of history if all that they could plead was that they had obeyed a recommendation of the Speaker's Conference, arrived at by a narrow majority? He was not satisfied that the majority of women wanted the vote. There was no evidence of it. There was the same paucity of evidence on the question whether the nation desired that women should have the vote. He could not see any sign of a general feeling in favour of a great change such as was embodied in the bill. We had not got sufficient evidence of the people's will on the question whether they desired what was neither more nor less than a revolution in our history. (Hear, hear.) The proposal to enfranchise six million women he characterised as a gigantic experiment, and a leap in the dark. The enfranchisement of women might turn out all right. He hoped it would, but if the result of the Women's Vote should be a hasty and inconclusive peace, there would be an end of the greatness of this country, and in the near future, he feared, of the continued existence of the Empire.

LORD SELBORNE.

The Earl of SELBORNE said that Earl Loreburn's amendment was, in effect, a motion for the rejection of the bill. (Cries of "No," and "Hear, hear.") It was a pure delusion to suppose that there was any chance whatever of the House of Commons agreeing to the bill if votes for women was cut out, any more than there would be if votes for soldiers and seamen were eliminated. Without votes for women the bill would be rejected by the House of Commons almost unanimously. In that case, what would their lordships' House do? Would they give way to the opinion of the House of Commons? To do so would be to put the House of Lords in a humiliating position. But if they did not give way, they must count the cost, and the cost was that in the climax of the war they would have split the nation from top to bottom. (Hear, hear.) They would have against them not only the women who desired the franchise, but the men who desired the franchise, and the soldiers and sailors. The majority of their lordships' House, splendid as would be their courage, would be almost isolated in the nation. He maintained that there never had been a measure stamped with so great a degree of national approval as this one. Women were peculiarly interested in certain questions. There were, for instance, the marriage laws. There was a movement to alter them. But how could that House, with any sense of justice, think of dealing with that subject without allowing women to have a say in the matter? The services of the women were as essential to victory as the services of men. They showed that they were not less patriotic, or less able to comprehend the issues at stake; less determined, or less sacrificing.

The Archbishop of CANTERBURY said that he realised as fully as anyone the gravity and uncertainty of this great change. It was, no doubt, a plunge in the dark, but the House had now to choose between consenting to take that plunge and setting itself against the palpable desire of the people at large. To reject this clause would be either for that House to court a humiliating surrender or to inaugurate a controversy of a most harmful kind, and divide the nation from top to bottom in the very crisis of the war. (Cheers.)

Earl RUSSELL supported the clause.

LORD LYTTON.

The Earl of LYTTON remarked that up to that moment there had been no adequate expression of the views of those who were most affected by the amendment. He would endeavour to remedy that, as he had been privileged for some years to work with them, to enjoy their confidence, and to share their hopes and disappointments. There were only four classes now excluded from the franchise—paupers, lunatics, children, and women. That in itself caused great resentment. Women were in the worst position of all. The pauper disqualification was being removed by the bill. There was a hope that lunatics might cease to be lunatics. Children would cease to be children, and it was only in the case of women, as a class, that, under all circumstances, they were definitely excluded from the franchise. Every organised body of women had passed resolutions in favour of women's suffrage. They had adopted every known means of political agitation to show that they desired it, and yet the House was told that there was no evidence that women desired the vote. The strongest reason for giving the vote to women now was that they were engaged in national service of so widely diffused and important a character that we could not hope successfully to carry on the war without them. There were two reasons why the bill could not be proceeded with without provisions for giving votes to women. One was that it would be a crowning injustice to women, and the other was that the House of Commons would not allow it. He had no anxiety for the fate of the clause. The bill would never pass into law without it. But he was anxious as to the circumstances under which it would remain in the bill. They had the opportunity of keeping the clause in the bill of their own free will, and he hoped they would do so.

Viscount CHAPLIN supported the amendment.

Lord WILLOUGHBY DE BROKE opposed it. He warmly welcomed the chance now offered of giving votes to women.

LORD CURZON.

Earl CURZON said he owed it to himself to state candidly the difficult position in which he found himself placed. He did not speak as the spokesman of the Government or as the Leader of the House. He wished to state his own views, and he was bound to say that, having listened to nearly every speech, he personally remained unconvinced that it was either fair or desirable or wise, in the manner proposed, to add six million female voters to the electorate of the country. This was a vast, incalculable, and almost catastrophic change, which was without precedent in history and without justification in experience. He owned that personally he was not very much impressed by the examples of the small States that had been quoted. They left him absolutely cold and unmoved. No great State had made so great a change, and the recent example of Russia did not arouse any enthusiasm in him. The change, if made, would be irrevocable. Once given, the franchise could never be taken back. If they opened the flood gates it would be, not to a tiny rill, but to a flood which would overspread the country and submerge many landmarks. He had heard no sufficient answer to the plea that no mandate had been given by the country for this grant. It was carrying things too far to say that it was a substantial issue at the election of 1910. He agreed with Lord Loreburn that the selection of the age of 30 was both arbitrary and illogical. At the very moment they were affecting to abolish sex disqualification, they said that a soldier of 19 might have the vote because he was a male, but that a woman might not have the vote until she reached 30. A great deal more would be heard of that distinction. This arbitrary, artificial, and illogical limit of the age to 30 was one that could not possibly last. Was there a single suffrage society that Lord Selborne knew which would pledge itself not to proceed with an immediate agitation for the extension of the franchise? This was not merely the thin end of the wedge. They were taking the wedge and hammering it in half way. In a few years these six million voters would be increased to 10 or 12 millions. On these grounds he continued to regard the proposal with mistrust and apprehension.

THE MODERN ARGUMENTS.

He would not deal with the familiar arguments for and against female suffrage, but would take the more modern two-fold arguments that women had earned the vote by their war work, and that the vote was required by them for the protection of their interests in the social and industrial re-organisation and reconstruction that must follow the termination of the war. He agreed fully with what had been said about women's work in the war, and did not wish to depreciate what they had done. They had performed inestimable services for the State. He saw nothing surprising in that. It would have been surprising if they had not done it. Precisely the same thing had been done by boys and by armies of women between 20 and 30, who were not to have the vote. In so far as the vote was to be given in recognition of war work, it was open to the objection that it was not the war workers whom, in the main, they were going to reward. He had made an analysis, based on the census of 1911, of the occupations of women over the age of 30. Of the six millions proposed to be enfranchised, five millions were the wives of separate occupiers, and one million were separate occupiers. In 1911, out of the total female population, over 86 per cent. of the married and widowed women were not professionally occupied at all, which meant that they were occupied in domestic duties. It was only the remaining 14 per cent. who were occupied in business. He did not know how far these percentages had been affected by war conditions, but it was clear that the great majority of women to whom the franchise was proposed to be given were not war workers, and that a large class of war workers would not get the votes at all. In effect they were saying to the female war workers—"We are much obliged for all you have done; you have rendered splendid and devoted service, but your are young and undisciplined and immature, and, although a boy soldier of 19 may vote, you must not vote until you are older and more experienced. Meanwhile, we are so grateful that we propose to give the vote to your elder sister, your mother, your grandmother, and your maiden aunts." (Laughter.) Then there was the point that women required votes to protect their interests after the war. Many of the subjects that had been mentioned by the Bishop of London were the kind of things that could be dealt with under the Local Government vote, which they were conferring on five millions of women. The matters on which the Bishop had laid much stress fell within the sphere of Local Government activity, which was really the vital force in the rebuilding of the country for future generations. He did not believe it was a true picture of the future to say that great Parliamentary activity was going to put everything right. He believed a new social and moral order would emerge after the war, but what form it would take he did not dare predict. But if it was to be anything substantial and successful, he held the view that it was more likely to succeed, not because of what Parliament did, but if it sprang from the volition and insistence of the people themselves.

A PRODIGIOUS REACTION.

He believed that after the present State control ceased there was going to be a most prodigious reaction—(hear, hear)—and as soon as the soldiers came home, as soon as a new Parliament was constituted, it would not begin to deal with all these things, but it would insist on freeing itself from the shackles which had been laid on it during the war. (Hear, hear.) It would not be so much by the action of Parliament as by the operation of the eternal economic laws, and by the fruitful, persistent co-operation of societies, agencies, and leagues that the salvation for which they looked would most likely come. Supposing all these women got the vote, what a difference it would make in the future relations between the sexes! Would men like to have the conditions of their industrial life and their wages regulated by a preponderance of women's votes? Would men be willing to be conscripted for war by women? Would men be willing to have the conditions of their ordinary lives—the amount of drink they should consume—fixed by women? Would men be still reluctant to apply the doctrine of physical force to women, a doctrine which had been the basis of the chivalrous relations that had always existed between the sexes, and been a most ennobling and purifying influence? Would women, he asked, with the vote behind them, be willing to return to the monotonous routine of domestic life after the war, when it would be the first duty of the country to terminate existing conditions, to get mothers back to their children, and to resume a more healthy condition of social and domestic life? But the real question was whether the grant of women's suffrage on so extended a scale would tend to the soundness and stability of the State. He confessed that he looked at the matter through Conservative spectacles. The view he took was that before many years were past, and in so far as women acted together, the influence they were about to throw into the distribution of power in the State would not be a conservative, but would be a Socialistic influence, and very likely a disturbing influence in domestic life. Their lordships had a perfect right to cut out this clause from the bill; but if they thought that by so doing they could save the bill, he thought they would be mistaken. (Hear, hear.) There was nothing more certain than that if the clause was cut out it would be reinserted by the House of Commons, and if in that event their lordships did not give way they would embark on a conflict with a majority of 350 in the House of Commons, of whom nearly 150 belonged to the Conservative Party. It would be a challenge to the House of Commons which the great majority of that assembly could not fail to take up, and the struggle would be one in which he had no confidence that their lordships would prevail. He would not vote either way on the amendment, and Viscount Peel, who was in charge of the bill, desired him to say that he would take the same course.

The House then divided, and the figures were announced as follows:—

For the amendment	69
Against	134
Majority against	65

It was afterwards officially stated that the peers voting in the minority numbered 71.

The amendment was therefore defeated.

The further consideration of the clause was adjourned.

The House, at twenty minutes to eight, adjourned until Monday.

ENEMY PRESS AND WAR AIMS.

ANGRY COMMENTS.

Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent writes:—An editorial article in the *Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung*, discussing President Wilson's peace programme, says:—The fourteen points do not form a programme of world-peace, but a real symphony of will to no peace, beginning with his joyful fanfare about freedom of navigation and other things on which the whole world is agreed, even if diversity of opinion exists regarding the method of realisation. Herr Wilson's intervention was not unwanted, but, having an opportunity of serving peace, he not only failed, but clearly expressed the contrary intention. Appealing to the self-determination of peoples, he presumes to interfere in the internal affairs of Austria-Hungary, and proclaims a policy of doing violence to nations, with a disregard for all historical and racial facts. With equal nonchalance, he finds a reason for the partition of Turkey such as could only be voiced by a man whose policy aims at playing off, one against another, peoples and parts of peoples who belong together, and are conscious of their homogeneity.

The *Koelnische Volkszeitung* writes:—President Wilson's peace programme substantially squares with Mr. Lloyd George's. It is as unacceptable for us as is the British. More brutal still than Mr. Lloyd George, he demands the severance from the German Empire of Alsace-Lorraine, which is nine-tenths inhabited by Germans, and he undisguisedly demands the severance from the Empire of parts of Prussia inhabited by the Poles.

The *Lokalanzeiger* publishes an article headed "The *Entente's* Wirepullers," in which the writer speaks of the unbounded impudence with which the leading statesmen of the Multiple Alliance deceive the world.

A Reuter Amsterdam message states that a telegram from Vienna says that the newspapers characterise President Wilson's address as merely an echo of the British Premier's speech, and remark that President Wilson also proposes peace conditions that could only be imposed on the Quadruple Alliance in the event of its complete defeat.

The *Fremdenblatt* writes:—President Wilson's message reveals still more clearly than Mr. Lloyd George's speech the intentions of our enemies to let the Russians continue to bleed for the selfish aims of the *Entente*, and to force the Quadruple Alliance under the Caudine yoke. The tone of the message is no more pleasant or friendly, and there is only one answer to it—namely, that it is unacceptable.

The *Neue Freie Presse* says:—President Wilson is superior even to Mr. Lloyd George in his capacity for deceiving the nation. President Wilson knows the effect of his fourteen points, and, therefore, he intersperses them with popular principles, in order to deceive the masses, who do not know our condition. The message also, of course, aims at breaking up the negotiations at Brest-Litovsk.

According to a Reuter Zurich telegram, the *Mannheim Volksstimme* says:—Mr. Lloyd George's speech constitutes a real danger to the Central Powers. They must risk losing the sympathy of the world which they were slowly regaining through their peace offer of December, 1916, if they continue to insist upon exaggerated demands.

HINDENBURG-LUDENDORFF REVOLT.

An Exchange telegram from Zurich says:—It is reported from Berlin that not only did Ludendorff hand in his own resignation, but he was commissioned by Hindenburg to hand in the latter's as well. All the parties of the Right approve of the attitude of these two men in the conferences held in Berlin. The German Conservative elements and the National Liberals have declared their convictions that the supreme command in the field enjoys the entire confidence of the army and the population, and that if divergences of opinion continue, and anyone should give way, it should be von Kuehlmann. The campaign against the latter is now very active, according to the *Leipziger Neues Nachrichten*, and Kuelhmann's position is extremely precarious. It is said that he allowed himself to be duped at Brest by Count Czernin.

SPECIAL EXTRA

FRANCE'S GREAT TASK.

VICTORY OR DISHONOUR.

Reuter's Paris correspondent says:—M. Dexhanel, President of the Chamber, in his opening address yesterday, said:—The Allies will not lay down their arms until a real peace has been assured. After speaking in laudatory terms of those who were fighting to prepare the way for a higher humanity, he said—We have now arrived, through the default of Russia, at the most difficult year of the war. France, victorious on the Marne, on the Yser, at Verdun, in Lorraine, and on the Aisne, does not desire a peace at the cost of defeat. She will not give in. We, gentlemen, will perform our duty to the end.

M. Dubost, President of the Senate, in his opening address, said:—The year 1917 has added to our accumulated sufferings a new load of distress and sorrow, without bringing a decisive action. The defection of Russia, although counter-balanced by the powerful help of America, lays on France in 1918 duties as serious as those of 1914, and demands of her, after more than three years of sacrifices, a repetition of the epic of the Marne and Verdun. France will not fail, and will compensate—may Russia understand it, if it is not too late—for the greatest default in history, by still greater courage and loyalty, because peace is no longer possible of attainment except by victory or dishonour.

AMERICA'S BELIEF IN RUSSIA.

The Washington correspondent of the *Morning Post* states that one of the motives prompting President Wilson's message to Congress was the desire to assure Russia of America's sympathy. Rightly or wrongly, Dr. Wilson had construed Mr. Lloyd George's references to Russia as an abandonment of that country to her fate, a sequel to be deplored in the interests of democracy.

POTATO BREAD.

An experimental loaf of the potato bread, which we shall all have to eat very shortly, has been sent to the *Daily Mail* by the Ministry of Food. In my opinion (says the Medical Correspondent of that paper) the loaf is far nicer than most of the bread obtainable lately. It is of close texture, more friable, and a little lighter in colour than ordinary war bread, and quite sweet tasting. The proportion of potato used is 10 per cent. It has been found by experiment that from 15lb. to 20lb. of potatoes can be added to each 280lb. sack of flour.

WOMEN'S ENFRANCHISEMENT.

The Parliamentary Correspondent of the *Daily Chronicle* writes:—Women's enfranchisement may now be regarded as an accomplished fact. It surmounted triumphantly yesterday evening, the last obstacle that stood in the way of its passage to the Statute Book, the House of Lords having, by a majority of 63 (134 against 71) rejected Lord Loreburn's motion for cutting out of the Reform Bill the clauses conferring the Parliamentary Franchise on women 30 years of age and over. In the outer corridor, after the division, a number of influential women who have taken a leading part in the suffrage movement received the congratulations of many of their friends, male and female, on this great victory for the women's cause.

WESTERN OFFENSIVE NOW, OR NOT?

It is stated at The Hague, says the Special Correspondent of the *Daily Mail*, by people who have previously proved well-informed, that one cause of the dispute between the German military and civil authorities in connection with the Brest-Litovsk negotiations was, or is, the question whether a big offensive should take place in the West, either in Flanders, France, or Italy, during the negotiations. The view of the civil authorities is said to be that such an offensive would have a bad effect on Russian opinion, and would endanger the whole peace plot. The military point of view is that Russian events have had such a depressing effect on the French and British troops that the chances of a great success is doubled. I am unable to state whether the question of a Western offensive during the negotiations in the East is still a matter of dispute, though it is obvious that the military party has triumphed so far.

PRICE OF WHISKEY.

It is understood, says the *Daily Telegraph*, that the Wine and Spirit Association and the Whiskey Association have been holding meetings with a view to arriving at some decision, in conjunction with the Food Controller, as to the price of whiskey. It is hoped to be able to fix a figure for certain brands, as has been done in regard to controlled tea, but at the moment nothing has been settled, and statements to the effect that the price per bottle has been decided upon are devoid of fact. Further meetings of the trade are taking place, and it is possible that an announcement may be made early next week.

THE TORPEDOED REWA.

CAPTAIN'S DESCRIPTION OF THE SINKING.

It is stated that according to the arrangement with the Spanish Government Spanish officers only accompany hospital ships while in the Mediterranean. The following particulars are taken from the statement of the captain of the hospital ship Rewa.

The Rewa was bound from Malta to a port on the West Coast of the British Isles, having called at Gibraltar *en route*. The ship carried a crew of 207, 279 invalids, and a medical staff of about 80. On the 4th of January, about 11 p.m., when I was on the bridge with the third officer two small white lights were seen about a mile ahead on our port bow. As I could not determine what these lights were, I concluded they were from a sailing craft, and ported my helm accordingly, and though I ported my helm two and a half points, I did not seem to alter my position as regards the bearing of those lights, which maintained their position, about four points on my bow. After a pause of three or four minutes, and after I had ported my helm, an explosion occurred approximately at 11.15 p.m., the ship being, in my opinion, torpedoed. We had our Red Cross flag up. Our lights had been lit at sunset—*viz.*, steaming lights, navigation lights, and convention lights, and they had remained and were all right at the time of the explosion. All the lights were electric. The ship was hit abreast of the funnel on the port side, as near amidships as possible. I gave orders at once for the boats to be got away, to close all bulkhead doors, and to signal for help. Two of the boats on the port side were blown to pieces by the explosion. The first boat left the ship about nine minutes after the explosion took place. There was no panic, and everyone behaved in a manner beyond all praise. No one was injured in getting into the boats, but four of the engine room staff are missing, and were probably killed by the explosion. Fourteen boats were launched in a most excellent manner, and every credit is due to the officers and engineers, who, together with the principal medical officer and his staff, assisted me until the ship was abandoned. The vessel sank just after midnight. Ten minutes before, being well down to her green line, I left her in company with those officers and men of the staff who had been superintending the operation in connection with the boats. In accordance with my orders the fourteen boats kept together as much as possible, coloured flares being burned to attract attention. At about 3 a.m. two trawlers and a small oiler arrived in the vicinity and picked up the boats and their occupants, who finally reached port just after 10 a.m.

The leading German financial journal *Die Bank* says the Rumanian petroleum wells were so thoroughly destroyed by the Allies that there is no chance of the company owning them paying any dividend for many years to come.

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I hope you are cutting all these recipes out. You will find them stand the test of time. Next I will give you one for making yeast bread.

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WATER IN MILK.

KINGSTOWN COUNCIL AND A PROSECUTION.

The Kingstown Urban Council yesterday prosecuted Denis Sullivan, 16 Albert road, Kingstown, for selling milk adulterated with 13 per cent. of added water.

Mr. E. J. Kenny, solicitor to the Council, asked permission to withdraw the case. He said that after the summons had been issued the defendant appealed to the Council to review his case. He appeared before the Public Health Committee, and gave an explanation which they considered satisfactory, in view of the defendant's past record.

Mr. Lupton said it was for the Court to consider whether there was a satisfactory explanation.

Mr. J. J. Kennedy, J.P., Chairman of the Council, said he was Chairman of the Public Health Committee when the defendant appeared before them and gave an explanation which was based on the admission that there was water in the milk. The explanation appeared to be reasonable, and the defendant's father before him had a very satisfactory record. The Council did not want to shield anyone.

Mr. Lupton said it was his duty to go on with the case.

Inspector D'Arcy gave evidence as to his taking the sample.

Mr. C. Moran, solicitor for the defence, said the publicity this matter had received was worse than all the fines.

The defendant explained how 1½ gallons of water got into a 13-gallon churn when they were rinsing and it got filled up with milk inadvertently by one of his sons. He knew this before the milk was sent out, but the boy who delivered the milk did not know it. The defendant said he intended to tell his customers he would not charge them for this milk.

Mr. Lupton said as far as he could see, there had been the most deliberate sale of milk with water added to it that he had experienced during the few months he had been there. It was the defendant's duty to throw out this milk, but instead of that he made £1 6/- out of it.

The defendant, replying to the magistrate, said he had been only charging 4d. a quart, and had been making a profit at that price, until the Food Controller fixed the price. He was not a member of the association.

His worship said the defendant was, even though this case had been brought against him, a respectable trader. He would be doing justice in fining him £3.

Mr. Kenny said the Committee, when considering the case, were not aware of the amount of water mixed with the milk.

BIG MALICIOUS INJURIES DECREES AT LIMERICK.

County Court Judge P. Law Smith, K.C., at Limerick yesterday, heard a number of claims for compensation for the malicious burning of hay, farm produce, and hay barns. Mr. Cooper, of Cooper Hill, was awarded £750, the full amount claimed; Mr. Denis O'Gorman, farmer, of Cregan, near Charleville, £325, and Mr. Michael Ryan, farmer, of Abington, £690. Some smaller amounts were also awarded.

THE WORLD OVER.

PEOPLE, PLACES, AND EVENTS IN THE NEWS.

LONDON "EVENING NEWS" TO BE 1d.

The *Evening News* (London) announces that it will, from Monday next, increase its price from one halfpenny to one penny.

LIVERPOOL BETTING FINES.

At Liverpool City Sessions yesterday, Frank Campbell, indicted for using certain premises, known as the New Athol Club, for betting purposes, and James Boggan for assisting, were each fined £100.

EMDEN'S CAPTAIN HAS SAILED.

The report that Captain Muller, of the Emden, was included in those repatriated has now been confirmed. He is a tall, slim man, with a short dark beard, and was singled out at Boston by a gentleman, who recognised and chatted with him. All German officers came from Donnington Hall in charge of Major Cooke. The next party of repatriated British is expected at Boston to-morrow week.

NO SWEETS IN ITALY.

The general sale of sweets will be prohibited in Italy next month. Only by securing a special permit will traders be allowed to sell chocolates, ices, jam, or biscuits. This new prohibition is the result of abuses that were found to exist under the old restrictions. Pastry cooks and confectioners managed to evade the regulations, and continued to sell sweets at fancy prices.

MILITARY AND MUSIC HALL ARTIST.

In a case at the Middlesex Tribunal concerning a music hall artist's exemption, Captain Carter said it was a disgrace that these men should be kept out of the Army. He added: A little angel seems to sit up aloft and looks after these men. I had letters galore on the subject of these men. One of these days there will be a riot in a music hall. The Chairman—We will have this man graded, and then we shall know how to act. Don't worry yourself.

LABOUR REPRESENTATIVES FOR U.S.

The Government has decided to send representatives of British trade unions to the United States. The Secretary of the American Federation of Labour, in a cablegram, expresses his gratification at the proposed visit, and says—"Until the people of Germany establish democracy within their own domains, an International Labour Conference to include representatives of Germany is prejudicial to a desirable and lasting peace."

DRINK AND DEMOBILISATION.

"It is hoped that during demobilisation there would be no relaxation of the regulations now in force," said Lord D'Abernon, Chairman of the Liquor Control Board, at a meeting. "The return to this country of men who will naturally feel themselves entitled to a certain amount of indulgence in pleasure will create conditions wherein excess might burst forth again, and, therefore, it will be very unwise to adopt a relaxation which might create a great national disaster."

SHOP ASSISTANTS' PROGRAMME.

A 48-hours' working week is advocated in a memorandum which the National Union of Shop Assistants, Warehousemen, and Clerks have submitted to the Ministry of Reconstruction Workers' Employment Committee set up by the Government. A full hour for dinner, whether the meal is taken on or off the premises, and abolition of fines are also suggested, as well as extension of the Trade Boards Act to all employed in the distributing trades, and compulsory attendance during the day-time at continuation classes of workers between 16 and 18.

NEW SOURCES OF PAPER SUPPLY.

The Acting Premier of New South Wales, speaking at a recent meeting, said the Government were conducting scientific experiments in the manufacture of paper—which was now obtained solely from Canada and Norway—from local timber. As far as the experiments had gone the results had been very encouraging. The Executive Committee of the Association referred to the possibility of producing all the "news" paper required for the Australian Press from noxious weeds along the coast of Northern Queensland.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE AND MR. ASQUITH.

A good deal of interest is expressed as to the circumstances of the meeting in which Mr. Lloyd George "had an opportunity of discussing" the question of peace with Mr. Asquith and Viscount Grey; for they had never met since Mr. Asquith resigned. I hear that (says the *Daily News* "Under the Clock") the first meeting, at which Viscount Grey was not present, took place at Mr. Asquith's town house at lunch on Wednesday. A second was held at breakfast, also at Mr. Asquith's residence, on the Saturday—the actual day of the speech. Viscount Grey attended this.

CAPTAIN TIGHE'S MURDERER SENTENCED

At the Old Bailey, London, yesterday, the Frenchman named Arthur Harry Victor de Stanier (26), corporal in the City of London Yeomanry, was sentenced to death for the murder of Captain Edward Kenrick Tighe, retired, at Wimbledon. Prisoner, in evidence, said he agreed with an Australian soldier to burgle the captain's residence. On entering the bedroom they found Captain Tighe in bed in his pyjamas. The other man switched on the lights. The captain stirred and moved his hand towards the pillow, under which they understood he had a revolver. The man with him then struck deceased several blows on the head with a poker.

DUBLIN AND DISTRICT.

Aiding a Soldier to Desert.—At the Kingstown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Lupton, Jane Byrne, 3 Brookfield Buildings, Blackrock, was sent to jail for fourteen days for aiding her son, a soldier, to desert. Maria Kinsella, Blackrock, was fined £1 for being in illegal possession of the soldier's uniform.

Bogus "Bing Boys" Concert.—At Wicklow Quarter Sessions yesterday Bernard Williams, an Englishman and a deserter, pleaded guilty to obtaining money by false pretences in Bray last August, when he sold tickets for a concert at the Arcadia, at which the Bing Boys were represented to appear. Accused was sentenced to six calendar months.

Decoration for Dublin Postman.—On January 3rd a Dublin postman, Mr. Henry Fairbrother, was presented by the Controller of the Dublin Postal Staff with the medal and title of the Order of Imperial Service. The decoration took place in the presence of the whole staff of sorting and postmen's offices. The Controller commented on the character of the recipient. During his term of thirty-six years, he had not a mark against him. Mr. Fairbrother thanked the Controller.

Egg Exports.—Whilst butter is watched on the "cat and mouse" principle at the seaports in Ireland, no attempts are made to keep an egg or two back for home consumption amongst the inhabitants of the producing country. The fabled goose which laid the golden eggs was all right in a fairy story, but the Irish hens which produce sixpenny eggs are a living and profitable reality at present. When exhausted with the munition work of filling "shells" which they have already manufactured, the hens are sent over the Channel after their eggs, and swell the exports of live and dead poultry from Ireland to Great Britain.

Presentation to Councillor Isaacs, J.P.—To mark the occasion of their silver wedding, Councillor and Mrs. Joseph Isaacs were, on Wednesday evening, made the recipients of a handsome silver Celtic bowl, presented by the employés of the firms of which Councillor Isaacs is the head. The company was hospitably entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Isaacs at their residence, 54 Grosvenor road, Dublin, when suitable references were made to the respect and esteem in which Mr. and Mrs. Isaacs were held, and to the goodwill and confidence which existed between Councillor Isaacs and the members of the staff.

Irish Mothers' Pension Society.—A meeting of the Committee of the Irish Mothers' Pension Society was held on the 9th inst. at the Mansion House, Dublin. Sir Gabriel Stokes, K.C.S.I., presided. Also present:—Lady Shaw, Mrs. Cantwell, Miss Mellone (Belfast), Miss McCarthy, Miss O'H. Flynn, Miss Duggan; Dr. J. B. Stoney, A. A. Dickie, K.C.; D. P. Gallagher, J. P. Dunne, Hon. Secretary. In view of the great distress prevailing the following resolution was adopted, on the motion of Sir Gabriel Stokes, seconded by A. A. Dickie, K.C., and a sub-committee was appointed to report to next General Committee meeting on 23rd inst.—"That a sub-committee be appointed to draft a scheme for submission (with a view to immediate adoption) to the Guardians of the North and South Dublin Unions, whereby adequate relief would be afforded to widows and orphans in the Dublin area, in accordance with the powers now possessed by the Poor Law authorities, pending the legislative enactment of pensions for mothers."

Lectures on Irish History.—The first of a series of twelve public lectures on Irish history was delivered by Professor MacNeill in the Rotunda Concert Hall, Dublin, last evening, in the presence of a crowded audience, the subject being "The Ancient Irish a Celtic People." The lecturer discussed the meaning of the name Celtic as applied to peoples, drawing a distinction between the classification of peoples according to racial origin and according to language and tradition. The known traditions of the Irish and Britons ignored their Celtic origin and affinities. The growth of a modern "Celtic consciousness" was traced from the writings of the Scottish historian, Buchanan, down to Macpherson and the Celtic literary revival. The lecturer then proceeded to sketch the early history of the Celts of mid-Europe, and claimed to show from ancient historians and modern philologists that there was an extensive Celtic migration northwards into the Germanic regions, resulting in the formation of a Celto-Germanic population, most of which afterwards overflowed, or was pushed, westward across the Rhine, and was represented by the Belgic Celts of Cæsar's time. In a succeeding lecture he trusted to be able to establish that the theory of two Celtic migrations to Britain, as generally accepted by British writers on the subject, required very large corrections.

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ROLL OF HONOUR

Last night's casualty lists show the following losses:—Officers—Dead, 19; wounded or missing, 35. Rank and File—Dead, 923; wounded or missing, 3,552. Analysis of the lists:—Killed—Officers, 14; men, 633. Otherwise reported, now reported dead—Officers, 2; men, 94. Died of wounds—Officers, 2; men, 171. Dead—Officers, 1; men, 25. Wounded—Officers, 34; men, 3,285. Missing—Officers, 1; men, 267. Totals—Officers, 54; men, 4,475. Previously otherwise reported, now reported prisoners—Officers, 1; men, 55.

KILLED.

CAREY, Lieutenant W. A., London Regiment.
CLARKSON, Lieutenant J., Arg. and Suth'd. Highrs.
COWELL, Major C. E. M., Royal Field Artillery.
ELDER, Captain J., Royal Scots.
GRAHAM, Lt. A., Black Watch, attd. T.M. Bty.
HALL, Sec. Lt. J. G., Leic. R., attd. S. Lan. R.
HARRIS, Second Lieutenant H. F., London Regt.
HASSLACHER, Lieutenant J. A. C., London Regt.
JOHNSTONE, Capt. N. G., M.C., Black Watch, attd. T.M. Battery.
MEASURES, Lieutenant P., Leicester Regiment.
ROSS, Second Lieutenant J. G., Seaforth Highlanders.
WRAY, Second Lieutenant H., Yorkshire Regiment.

DIED OF WOUNDS.

CRACKNELL, Lieutenant C. G. R., London Regiment.

NOW REPORTED DIED OF WOUNDS.

JONES, Second Lieutenant O. H., Royal Irish Rifles.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

COTGRAVE, Capt. C. R. F., Worc. R., attd. T. M. Bty.

WOUNDED.

ASHE, Captain E. N., Manchester Regiment.
BEARD, Sec. Lt. W. N., North'n. Regiment.
BEAUCHAMP, Lieutenant C. J. F., M.G.C.
BENNET, Lt. H. E., Cam'n. Highrs., attd. T.M. Bty.
BUICK, Sec. Lt. W., King's Royal Rifle Corps.
BULLOCK, Lieutenant W., Yorkshire Regiment.
BURR, Sec. Lt. A., Northumberland Fusiliers.
CLIFFORD, Second Lieutenant W., Worcester Regt.
COOPER, Second Lieutenant H. L., Worcester Regt.
DONALD, Sec. Lt. A. A., North Staffordshire Regt.
DUNCAN, Second Lieutenant D. A., K.O. (Royal Lanc. Regt.), attd. South Lan. Regiment.
DUNCAN, Second Lieutenant A. S., Middlesex Regt.
FAIRLIE, Second Lieutenant G. B. C., Royal Scots.
HARLEY, Sec. Lt. W. R., Royal Warwick Regt.
HENDERSON, Sec. Lt. J. A., Royal Scotch Fus.
HERBERT, Second Lieutenant W., Royal Engineers.
HILL, Second Lieutenant A. R., King's (L'pool. Regt.).
HULME, Sec. Lt. G. W., Royal Field Artillery.
LINDSAY, Lt. J. W., R.A.M.C., attd. Lond. Regt.
MATTHEWS, Sec. Lt. J., Arg. and Suth'd. Highrs.
MONK, Sec. Lt. H. M., Middlesex Regiment.
MOORE, Sec. Lt. J. E., Royal Garrison Artillery.
MUGFORD, Second Lieutenant H. H., Worcester Regt.
PLEDGER, Lieutenant B. E., Suffolk Regiment.
RALPH, Second Lieutenant J. A., K.R.R.C.
REDFERN, Sec. Lt. P. H., Queen's (R. W. Surr. R.).
SHERWOOD-KELLY, Lieutenant-Colonel J., C.M.G., D.S.O., Royal Innis. Fus. (Major, Norfolk Regt.).
THOMSON, Second Lieutenant G., Rifle Brigade.
TULLIS, Second Lieutenant W. MacK., R.F.A.
VASEY, Major C. J. W., M.C., Royal Engineers.
WEBER, Capt. R. E., Royal Field Artillery.
WHILE, Lieutenant H. D., Scots Guards.

NOW REPORTED MISSING, BELIEVED KILLED.

TUMILTY, Sec. Lt. A., Royal Dublin Fusiliers.

INDIAN FORCES.

DIED.

CABLE, Captain G. P., I.A.R.O., attd. Imperial Service Troops.

NOW REPORTED PRISONER OF WAR IN GERMAN HANDS.

GAREWAL, Lieutenant A. S., I.M.S.

OTHER RANKS.

IRISHMEN AND MEN IN IRISH REGIMENTS ONLY.

All are Privates except where otherwise shown. The town shown against each soldier's name is the home of his next-of-kin, except when followed by the abbreviation "Enlt.," when it is his place of enlistment.

KILLED.

ROYAL ENGINEERS.—Hylands, 64071, Spr. J. (Belfast).

ROYAL INNISKILLING FUSILIERS.—Halliwell, 16854 T. (Lisbellaw); Hunter, 21183 Cpl. G. (Glasgow); Irvine, 43745 J. G. (Granton); M'Connell, 14703 J. (St. Johnston); Mitchell, 40557 E. C. (Bath); Moore, 40575 Cpl. H. (Bristol); Simpson, 14120 L.-Sgt. P. (Fivemiletown); Walker, 42400 C. A. (Deptford, S.E.); Careless, 30799 A. (Burton-on-Trent); Marsh, 30752 Sgt. J. (Sherbourne); Taylor, 28056 H. (Coleraine).

ROYAL IRISH RIFLES.—Flavel, 175 G. (Portadown).

ROYAL DUBLIN FUSILIERS.—Byrne, 25007 T. (Tallow); Clarke, 24664 Cpl. T. (Skibbereen); Howard, 29345 W. (Carlow); Roscoe, 40734 E. (Little Hulton).

ROYAL IRISH REGIMENT.—Metcalf, 15077 H. L. (Askrigg).

DIED.

ROYAL MUNSTER FUSILIERS.—O'Loughlin, 9358 Dvr. S. (Tralee).

DIED OF WOUNDS.

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NOW REPORTED DIED OF WOUNDS.

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WOUNDED.

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MISSING.

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NOW REPORTED NOT WOUNDED.

ROYAL MUNSTER FUSILIERS.—Fitzmaurice, 6486 W. (Tarbert).

CORRECTION. WOUNDED.

ROYAL MUNSTER FUSILIERS.—Manion, 7313 J. (Huddersfield) should read Manion, 7318 J. (Huddersfield).

EAST AFRICAN FORCES.

WOUNDED AND MISSING.

No. 652551 Sgt. W. R. Lawrence, King's African Rifles and London Regt.

DIED.

Cpl. H. Smith, East African Supply Corps.

Captain J. O. McElroy.—Captain John Oliver McElroy, Manchester Regiment, who has been missing since December, is now reported a prisoner in Germany. Captain McElroy is the third son of the late Mr. George McElroy, Cuilmore, Gurteen, County Sligo, and previous to the war was cashier in the Bank of Ireland at Ballina.

Lieutenant G. Hare.—Lieutenant George Hare, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, son of the late Rev. Henry Hare, and grandson of the late Rev. George Hare, Chaplain, Royal Hospital, Kilmainham, was killed in action on December 27th.

Lieutenant R. B. Steele.—Lieutenant Robert Balfour Steele, Royal Flying Corps, who has been missing since October 24th, 1917, and is now reported to have died from wounds on October 22nd while a prisoner of war, was a nephew of Mrs. Hilton, St. Andrew's, Bray.

PROVINCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

Costly Fever Patients.—It was stated at a meeting of the Ardee Guardians that the cost of a single fever patient was £7 a week.

Fatal Gun Accident.—While reading in the kitchen, Margaret Jane Freeman (14), of Tullans, Coleraine, was fatally shot in the cheek by her nephew, aged 4½ years, who let fall a gun, which went off.

Sinn Feiners and Irish Manufacture.—The County Committee of the Wexford G.A.A. refused to entertain an application from the Enniscorthy *Sinn Fein* Club in connection with a tournament when it was not made on Irish manufactured notepaper.

Daring Robbery.—Mrs. Kavanagh, wife of a farmer, residing at Parkbawn, was on Thursday accosted by a man wearing a mask when approaching Gorey. Under a threat to shoot, he abstracted from her pocket a purse containing £5, and disappeared into the fields. No arrest has been made.

Parish Priest and Ballinrobe Roads.—Canon Dalton, P.P., V.F., attended the quarterly meeting of the Ballinrobe Council on Monday, and complained of the state of the roads in the district. He intimated that if an improvement was not soon effected he would ask the L.G.B. to hold a sworn inquiry into the roads administration.

Tribute to Late Captain J. P. Roche.—Remitting a subscription to the Captain Roche Memorial at Cahirciveen, Major-General W. B. Hickie expressed his pleasure in helping to perpetuate the memory of a "gallant friend and comrade, one of those natural soldiers whom Ireland, of all countries, knows best how to produce."

Gallant Athy Guardian.—At this week's meeting of the Athy Board of Guardians the members congratulated Sergeant Michael McLoughlin, R. Dublin Fusiliers, who has been awarded the Military Medal for bravery. It is claimed that Sergeant McLoughlin, who is Deputy Vice-Chairman of the Board, is the first District Councillor in Ireland to win such an award.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

Postings.—James Benjamin Taylor, Esq., L.M., L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S.I., has been posted to the Irish Command for duty. He has been engaged under the terms of the contract for civilian medical practitioners, and will be gazetted to a temporary commission as Lieutenant. Temp. Capt. J. D. Carroll, M.C., R.A.M.C., has been posted to the Irish Command for duty. Lieut. and Q.M. T. E. Kelly, A.V.C., is struck off the strength of the Irish Command. Lieut. and Q.M. J. A. Harmer, A.V.C., is struck off the strength of the Irish Command.

Appointments.—Approval has been given for the appointment of Capt. R. C. Shorter, R.E., as Assistant Officer-in-Charge Command Anti-Gas School. Approval has been given for the appointment of Lieut. J. M. Welsh, H.L.I., as Brigade Physical and Bayonet Training Supervising Officer to the Irish Command to be temp. Capt. whilst so employed.

FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE.

WAR OFFICE, January 10, 1918.

REGULAR FORCES.—Commands and Staff.—Gen. Staff.—G.S.O., 2nd Grade—Capt. C. C. Grattan-Bellew, K.R. Rif. C., from a Brig.-Maj., vice Maj. J. T. McColl, M.C.; C'wealth Mil. Forces.

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A PROPOSED AUCTION OF LAND.

OPPOSITION CAUSES SALE TO BE WITHDRAWN.

Yesterday, Mr. John P. Cuffe, Prussia street, Dublin, endeavoured to effect a sale by auction of 454 acres and 13 perches of land at Ballinahinch, County Limerick, but owing to the opposition offered on behalf of uneconomic holders and labourers, who are anxious to have the lands divided amongst them, Mr. Cuffe was obliged to abandon the sale. The lands were formerly in the possession of Mr. William Powes, who made it a condition in his will that they should be sold after his death, and the amount realised by their sale applied as directed by other clauses in the will. A large number of labourers and small farmers travelled from Knocklong and other districts in the neighbourhood of Ballinahinch to attend the sale. When Mr. Cuffe appeared on the rostrum for the purpose of receiving offers,

Mr. Thomas Lundon, M.P., who attended, with Mr. Gubbins, on behalf of labourers and small holders, stated that Mr. Hogan, the vendor, some time ago asked the Estates Commissioners to send a valuer on the lands. The valuer came, but what his estimate amounted to he (Mr. Lundon) did not know, but it was represented to the Commissioners behind his back that they had no intention of paying the difference between cash and stock to Mr. Hogan. The men of Ballinahinch were asked to make up the difference between 58 per cent. stock and £100. He (Mr. Lundon) asked if Mr. Hogan would accept the Estates Commissioners' valuation in cash, plus the auctioneer's commission, and, if so, a cheque for the amount would be handed to him.

Mr. Leahy, the solicitor having carriage of the sale, said he had a letter from the Estates Commissioners stating that they did not intend purchasing the lands.

Mr. Cuffe said he could only allow five or six of those who came to interfere with the sale to be present, and they could register their protest if they liked.

Mr. Lundon replied that it was a public auction, and they would not leave.

Mr. Cuffe said if necessary he would have the room cleared.

Mr. Lundon refused to leave, stating that he had come there with Mr. Gubbins to get the land for the people.

A police inspector and some constables then entered the room, and Mr. Cuffe announced that the sale would take place in the yard, where all could be present.

An adjournment to the yard followed, and Mr. Lundon said he did not know what the valuation was, but he was prepared to pay cash for the full amount. This sale was a refusal to accept his offer. Mr. Hogan had treated him fairly, and he had treated Mr. Hogan fairly, and after some discussion, Mr. Lundon, speaking with emphasis, said:—I will tell the men of Ballinahinch that they are not worth their salt if they allow anyone to have the lands but themselves. What is more than that, don't wait until you go to Ballinahinch to make your protest.

A leaflet was afterwards distributed amongst the crowd, in which it was stated—"Should anyone desire to defy public opinion by bidding for it (the land) let him clearly understand that he will not have everything his own way."

Amid a scene of considerable excitement, Mr. Cuffe announced that the sale would be withdrawn. The announcement was received with cheers, and cries of "Kilteely," and "Down with the ranchers."

Mr. Lundon, addressing the crowd, said they had succeeded so far. There was no necessity for making a row. They would wait till they got back to Ballinahinch. He would make an offer of £14,000, and the auctioneer's fees.

ALLOTMENTS IN DUBLIN.

LANDHOLDERS' OPPOSITION.

Mr. F. J. M'Carthy, one of the Inspectors of the Local Government Board, continued yesterday the inquiry in respect of recommendations made to the Local Government Board that certain lands in the neighbourhood of Dublin were required for allotments to working men and others who would grow vegetables on them for themselves and their families this year. The owners of some of the lands proposed to be taken objected. The Local Cultivation Committee of the Dublin Corporation had failed to obtain by agreement the lands required to satisfy the applications which they had received, the principal difficulty being the rent. The Corporation proposed to take on the whole about 250 acres within or without the borough, and the proposal was that as an agreement could not be come to the lands should be taken under the Defence of the Realm Regulations.

The cases dealt with yesterday included proposals to acquire land belonging to Mr. Galvin, of Cabra road; Mr. Joseph Mooney, of Cabra (land at Dolphin's Barn); Mr. Michael Beatty, Aughrim street (land on Grand Canal); fields belonging to the Dublin Distillery Co. at Marrowbone lane; and a field belonging to the St. Vincent de Paul Orphanage, Glasnevin; after which the inquiry ended.

Architectural Association of Ireland.—A general meeting of the members of the Architectural Association of Ireland was held last evening at the rooms, South Frederick lane, Dublin. Mr. Edwin Bradbury, the President, occupied the chair. Mr. Kaye Parry, President of the Institute of Architects, lectured on "The Architect's A.B.C." He emphasised the necessity for the cultivation of modern methods of work, and the adoption of a business-like system, particularly as to the handling of correspondence, and the best way of keeping a record of the work done. He explained the preparation of drawings, and the best method of keeping them, and all papers connected with works in progress. All this constituted merely the A.B.C. of an architect's work, and it was necessary to adhere to a well-ordered system if success was to be achieved.

ROSSE COLLEGE, STEPHEN'S GREEN.
PITMAN'S SHORTHAND CERTIFICATES.
Since Jan., 1916, pupils of this College have gained 290 of these Certificates for speeds of from 50 to 140 words a minute.—(Advt.)

DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL.

THE USE OF A COURTHOUSE.

The Dublin County Council met yesterday, the Vice-Chairman, Mr. James Mahony, in the chair. There were present:—Messrs. Patrick Baggot, J.P.; Thomas Clarke, J.P.; James Collins, Archdale Graham, J.P.; Christopher J. Hanlon, Michael L. Hearn, M.P.; Matthew McAllister, William McCabe, J.P.; Benjamin Newcombe, and Patrick Walker.

On the motion of Mr. Hearn, seconded by Mr. Collins, the Council voted Sir Charles Cameron an increase of £25 in his yearly salary, to date from the commencement of the present year, and until otherwise ordered. The Chairman observed that it was really a war bonus.

The Rev. W. C. Magill, P.P., writing on the 9th, renewed his application to the Council for the free use of Kilmainham Courthouse for schools. His reasons were—(1) There is an urgent need for primary and technical schools in this populous quarter, and to erect new buildings in the neighbourhood would be costly and nigh impossible, at least for a number of years; (2) as is well known, the Treasury has refused to supply building grants during the war, and this position will probably obtain for some years to come; (3) the Courthouse is not used except for a few days each year. He would give a guarantee that facilities should be given to the County Council for the use of the portion that they would require; and the building would be kept in full repair and reasonable facilities given for philanthropic purposes to the people round about.

The Chairman said that the Kilmainham Courthouse had cost the county £10,300, and it was free of ground rent for ever. The property belonged to the ratepayers, both urban and country. Some time since Father McGill sought to purchase these premises for schools, and offered the Council £1,000, which they declined. They offered, however, to lend the courthouse to Father McGill free of rent for a limited time, on his acquiring a site and entering into a contract to build schools in the district. This offer Father McGill declined on the ground that he could not acquire a suitable site, or find money from the Treasury to build at present. He now asked the Council to make him practically a free gift of the courthouse for his schools, on the ground of urgency in the educational requirements of this portion of his parish. Personally; all could sympathise with Father McGill, but as public trustees of the ratepayers of all denominations it was not possible that the Council could now comply with his request, and in equity hand him over the courthouse for what would be a strictly denominational purpose. If, however, Father McGill could see his way to offer to purchase—and let the price be fixed by a Local Government Board inquiry, the acceptance of whose final award would not be binding on him or on the Council (he spoke only for himself)—the County Council in the circumstances might possibly see their way to sell him the courthouse for his schools.

Mr. Collins thought, with all respect to Father McGill, it was a bit unreasonable of him to ask the Council to hand over the property of the ratepayers.

Mr. Hearn remarked that although the cost was given as £10,300, the Council could not say that the courthouse was worth that.

Mr. Clarke said it would place the Catholics of South County Dublin in an awkward position if the Council handed over the courthouse to Father McGill. He was sure, however, that Father McGill would not find the Council niggardly, as it was for the education of the young.

The Council agreed to reply to Father McGill on the Chairman's lines.

FROM TO-DAY'S LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Friday, January 11th, 1918.

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DUBLIN PRESBYTERY.

Yesterday a special meeting of the Dublin Presbytery was held in 85 Grafton street. Present:—Revs. H. M. Waddell (Moderator), Dr. Osborne, J. C. Johnston, R. J. Parke, J. L. Morrow, Gordon Clements (Clerk), J. S. Crockett, R. K. Hanna, S. Matthews, and R. K. Lyle; with Messrs. A. Gray, H. McNeill, W. A. Breakey, and W. H. Adams.

A call from the congregation of First Portglenone addressed to Mr. Walter Patterson, B.A., a licentiate of the Presbytery, was read and considered. On the motion of Rev. J. C. Johnston, to whom Mr. Patterson was for a time assistant, seconded by the Rev. J. L. Morrow, it was resolved that the call be placed in Mr. Patterson's hands. Mr. Patterson having expressed his desire to accept the call, it was decided, on the motion of Dr. Osborne, seconded by Mr. Crockett, that credentials be granted him to the Ballymena Presbytery.

PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS.

The Presbyterian Church in Dublin had another missionary meeting last night in the Adelaide road Church, where Mr. Charles Eason presided, instead of the Moderator of the General Assembly; and Miss Shaw, Rev. Robert Lyle, and Mrs. H. R. Scott were the other speakers. Mr. Eason spoke of the laymen's missionary movement, and particularly of its Presbyterian branch. He said it was found that women did more than their share of missionary work at home, while the men did not do enough. Now, with the call of the war, a great deal could not be expected of our men in this field; but those who could ought to advance the movement in this country to support the missionaries labouring abroad. Rev. Robert Lyle gave his audience an account of the deadening effect of Chinese heathenism, which made the missionaries' headway hard in the far-off East.

THE EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE.

The meetings of the Evangelical Alliance were held yesterday in the Friends' Meeting House, Dublin. Sir Algernon Coote presided at 11.30 a.m. and reminded the meeting that the day was set apart for prayer for the non-Christian world. Mr. Hamilton Hunter presided at the evening meeting. He said that to-day we were called upon to exercise a new faith in God. Rev. F. C. Gibson dwelt upon the necessity for faith and prayer and self-denial if the Church and individual Christians were to fulfil the great task God had appointed for them. Rev. T. C. Hammond spoke on the "Conditions of Conversion." There were manifold conditions in individual cases, but certain broad features might be regarded as indispensable elements in every true spiritual conversion. The first essential condition often overlooked in these days was the call of God. The meetings will be resumed to-day. The subject at the evening meeting, which concludes the series, will be "The Results of Conversion."

VICTORIA JUBILEE MASONIC ANNUITY FUND.

At a stated meeting of the Board of Governors of the Victoria Jubilee Masonic Annuity Fund, held at Freemasons' Hall, Dublin, on Wednesday, at 8 o'clock p.m., the report of the scrutineers of the ballot for the election of six annuitants was read, when it was unanimously resolved that Nos. 7, 9, 4, 8, 14, and 3 on the ballot list be elected to annuities.

BOY CLERKSHIPS.
A new Term in preparation for the next exam. will commence at SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 Stephen's Green, Dublin, on Monday, 14th inst. Successful last exam., October, 1917—Messrs. Tonge (1st Place Ireland, 3rd U. Kingdom on marks), Dempsey, Maguire, Neely, Lang, White, Gormley, Mullooly, Kavanagh, Coffey, and Ryan. Best Irish Result.—(Advt.)

Fashionable Intelligence

Viscount Bangor has arrived at Castle Ward, County Down, for a few days' leave.

Lord Oranmore and Browne returned to Castle Macgarrett yesterday from Dublin.

Sir Hugh and Lady McCalmont have arrived in London from Mount Juliet, Kilkenny.

Sir Basil Brooke, who has been spending his leave at Colebrooke, has left for England.

Paymaster-in-Chief and Mrs. Charles Vawdrey are leaving Kingstown for St. Michael's, Walton-by-Clevedon, Somerset.

Miss Eileen Barrett is leaving Kingstown for St. Michael's, Walton-by-Clevedon, Somerset.

A marriage has been arranged, and will take place next week (quietly, owing to war) at Hollymount Church, Downpatrick, between Rev. A. H. McCausland Acheson, B.A., St. Luke's, Belfast, and Belinda Mary Gwendoline (Linda), eldest daughter of W. Irwin, County Inspector, R.I.C., and Mrs. Irwin, of Downpatrick.

Switzer's Sale is to-day an opportunity for foresight in economy.

Holmes' Sale this day. Unprecedented Bargains in all Departments.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 George's street.

Swiss Embroideries, French Embroidered Voiles, Lawns, and Nainsooks will reach a prohibitive figure later, when present stocks are exhausted. Less than makers' prices at Holmes' Sale.

Officers' Uniforms cleaned and pressed at short notice by Dartry Dye Works, Dartry road, Dublin.

Furs, Furs, Furs. Seal Coats at Bargain Prices.—Slyne and Co., 71 Grafton street.

Dimity Underwear is both dainty and durable. Cami-Knickers in this material for 29s. 11d.; Nightie, to match, 35s. 11d.—Slyne and Co., 71 Grafton street.

"Extremely Pleasant, and I Prefer it."—Lady C. Hobart-Hampden writes—"The 'Albion Milk and Sulphur Soap' is extremely pleasant, and I prefer it to any other I have ever tried." Delightful at Toilet and Bath—pure, refreshing, delicately perfumed. Sold by Chemists, Grocers, etc.

McBirney and Co.'s Great Annual Winter Sale, this and following days.

Brown, Thomas and Co.'s Great Annual Winter Sale now proceeding. Every Article Reduced.

New Year's Sale now on. Special Bargains.—Doyle and Son, Ltd., 38 Mary street.

39/6—Black Silk Sports Coats, very good value; only 3 in stock; worth 47/6. Also in Grey.—Davis and Co. (Removal Sale), 35 Exchequer street (late of Ogilby's).

THE AMERICAN MARKETS.

STOCKS CLOSED STRONG.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Thursday.

Stocks opened firm, and Industrials advanced on buying; but there was only a limited inquiry for Rails. Dulness followed, but the market rallied later under outside buying, and closed strong. Government Bonds and Railroad Bonds irregular.

Gains—Chicago North-Western Ord., 1; Delaware and Hudson, Smelting Refining Pref., and British-American Tobacco Ord., ½; Louisville and Nashville and International Mercantile Marine Pref., ½; Smelting Refining Common, 1½; and Steel Common and International Mercantile Marine Common, ⅛. Losses—Canadian Pacific, Denver Common, Southern Railway Pref., ditto Fives, Texas and Pacific Union, and Steel Pref., ½; Illinois Central, 1; and Reading Mortgage Bonds, ¼.

Money easier. Sterling exchange steady. Silver commercial bars unchanged.

CLOSING PRICES.

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The London parity prices are quoted at the current rate of exchange, but no account is taken of the cost of insurance.

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PRODUCE MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Thursday.

WHEAT—Spot nominal. CORN—Spot nominal. COFFEE declined on general selling and disappointing spot demand, and partially advanced on covering, closing irregular. Spot steady, ¼ lower.

	Jan.	Mar.
To-day	7.95	8.18
Previous day	7.97	8.20

COTTON declined on New Orleans selling, weather forecast favourable in the South-West, Southern selling, and general liquidation, closing easy. Spot quiet, 5 points lower.

	Feb.	April.
To-day	31.45	—
Previous day	31.95	31.60

Receipts—Atlantic, 4,000; Gulf, 12,000. Exports—Britain, 14,000; Continent, nil.

COTTON OIL dull. Spot, 19.60; March, 19.95. PETROLEUM—Refined steady. TALLOW easy. LARD—Cash market strong and dearer. FLOUR quiet. SUGAR steady. TIN and IRON nominal. COPPER dull.

CHICAGO, Thursday.

WHEAT on spot remains a nominal market.

MOVEMENTS OF GRAIN (IN THOUSANDS).

	This Year.	Last Year.	This Season.	Last Season.
WHEAT. Receipts—Western Ports.	441	811	136176	233772
CORN. Receipts—Western Ports.	777	850	79827	112763

Wheat—No. 2 red winter, spot, nominal; No. 2 hard winter, spot, nominal.

CORN opened steady at former currencies, and eventually declined on predictions of increased receipts, bearish political news, and selling of hay by cash houses, subsequently a partial recovery was started by decreasing stocks and covering operations, and the market closed irregular at ½c. to ⅝c. decline.

	Jan.	May.
To-day	127¾	123
Previous day	128	123⅛

OATS easy at ⅛c. loss.

	Jan.	May.
To-day	78¼	76
Previous day	78½	76⅝

PROVISIONS opened easy, and declined at first on lower hog prices, heavy receipts, and sales to realise; then rallied, and scored good gains under a fair cash demand, bullish peace rumours, light offerings, shorts covering, and buying by commission houses. The market closed strong, with lard 22½ to 25, pork 35 to 27½, and ribs 20 to 22½ points higher.

LARD—

	Jan.	May.
To-day	24.35	24.75
Previous day	24.12½	24.50

PORK—

	Jan.	May.
To-day	46.10	46.36
Previous day	45.75	46.22

RIBS—

	Jan.	May.
To-day	23.60	24.37½
Previous day	23.30	24.00

BACON firm, 12½ to 25 points up. Receipts of hogs at 15 principal Western centres, including Chicago, since November 1st, total 6,230,000, against 6,719,000 for the same period last year. To-morrow's receipts of hogs at Chicago are estimated at 40,000.

HOGS easy, with both light and heavy early 10 to 15 points down.

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SPORTING NEWS.

RACING AT BAGDAD.

The current issue of the *World* contains the programme and results of the "Great Military Race Meeting" at Bagdad on September 1, 1917. The late Lieut.-General Sir Stanley Maude, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., was the patron. The Kut Cup (presented by Major-General L. C. Jones), a steeplechase for ponies ridden by officers of the Mesopotamian Expeditionary Force (1½ miles), attracted nearly 20 of the entry, and Second Lieut. Gillander came in an easy first by six lengths on his own pony Tommy, but he was disqualified, and the race awarded to the second horse, Whiskers (owned by Lieut. Ormrod and ridden by Lieut. M. G. Hartigan, of Limerick), who was the only one that went the right course, all the others going the wrong side of a flag. Whiskers was favourite at 2 to 1 against. The Bagdad Cup (presented by Lieut.-General Maude) was a two-mile steeplechase for horses ridden by officers of the M.E.F., and again there were nearly a score of starters. There was plenty of grief, and Lieut. de Wend Fenton's Mercia (his charger) led till close home, and was then caught and beaten by Lieut. Ormrod on his chestnut mare, Venus (6 to 1), greatly to the disappointment of the layers of evens on Mercia. The Lajj Cup, also a steeplechase for officers, attracted another big field, and was won by Major Daniel's Flying Hackle (Lieut. Wright up), who started at 5 to 2 against, from Lieut. Hartigan on his Australian gelding, King Alaric (4 to 1), and the favourite, Major Forbes's Susan (a grey Irish mare) (2 to 1), steered by Lieut. C. H. Gage. More than twenty started for the Dell Abbas Cup, a flat race for ponies which had been played at polo before August 1 (2½ furlongs), and the winner was Lieut. J. P. Dening's brown waler gelding, Percival (owner up), who was a 5 to 1 chance. Es Salekh Stakes (six furlongs, flat) was won by a mare, No. 279, with Dafadar Indar Singh up.

COURSING.

KILTEELY MEETING—YESTERDAY.

Judge—Mr. P. J. Murphy. Slipper—W. O'Donoghue.

BRACELET STAKES.—For 8 puppies.

Miss O'Carroll ns. Topper III. beat Miss Wallace ns. Mickey Play Fair; Miss Mulvihill ns. Old Style beat Mrs. Norris ns. Quite Friendly; Mrs. Collins ns. Graft, a bye.

SECOND ROUND.—Topper III. beat Graft; Old Style, a bye.

DECIDING COURSE.—Topper III. beat Old Style.

BALLINLOUGH STAKES.—For 3 all-ages.

Mr. Lehane's Knocktoran beat Mr. Siller ns. Two-to-One; Mr. Dowling's Market Street, a bye.

DECIDING COURSE.—Knocktoran beat Market Street.

BALLINAGRANA STAKES AND LUNDON CUP.—For 13 all-ages.

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CROMHILL STAKES.—For 16 all-ages.

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ABBEYLARA MEETING POSTPONED.

Owing to the unfavourable weather conditions the Abbeylara Meeting had to be abandoned yesterday.

"BERMALINE." Best Brown Bread. —(Advt.)

BILLIARDS.

Amateur Championship.—Lieut. E. A. Hughes v. H. Evans.—These players commenced the second heat of the second round yesterday. Evans made breaks of 106 and 60, besides 23, 20, 35, 24, and 45, but he was outplayed by a more consistent opponent. Hughes accounted for runs of 30, 25 (twice), 26, 21, 62, 43, and 24, and both men averaged nearly nine. Interval—Hughes (in play), 500; Evans, 431. At night Evans returned the good average of 12½. His best breaks were 22, 54, 24, 25, 37, 82, 23, 50, 59, and 24. Hughes made 40, 23, and 27. Final scores—Evans, 1,000; Hughes, 765.

Inman v. Stevenson.—Inman again had the best of the play at Thurston's yesterday, scoring 730 to 346. He carried his unfinished 95 to 147 and subsequently added 78, 51, and 222, reaching his points with 25 (unfinished). Stevenson's best efforts were 53 and 68. Interval—Inman, 14,250; Stevenson, 8,657. At night Inman totalled 736 for an average of 56. His best items were 185, 158, and 170 (unfinished). Stevenson only scored 70. Closing scores—Inman, 15,000; Stevenson, 8,727.

FOOTBALL.

ASSOCIATION.—Cheshires v. Cavalry Reserve.—This match in the competition for the Curragh Cup was played on Wednesday at Newbridge, and resulted, after extra time, in a draw of one goal each.

GOLF.—Castle (Ladies).—Monthly medals (stroke)—Class I., Mrs. Ramsey Birney, 88 net; Class II., Mrs. Davidson, 105 net.

IRISH CATTLE TRADERS' ASSOCIATION.

The adjourned general meeting of the Irish Cattle Traders' and Stock Owners' Association was held at the City Arms Hotel, Prussia street, last night. Mr. William Field, M.P., presided. There were also present:—Messrs. John Leonard, J.P.; Francis Shortis, Edward Kennedy, J.P.; Matthew Bruton, Geo. H. Lennon, J.P.; John J. Coonihan, Patrick Barry, Edward Crane, James H. Dyas, William Shaw, Thos. L. Smyth, J.P.; James Droaper, James Cullen, Edward Keashan, Michael Beattie, John Cregan, L. S. Storey, Thomas Leonard, D.L.; Joseph Dwyer, J.P., Co.C.; Joseph O'Connor, Co.C.; Robert Craigie, J. A. Leonard, James Ennis, J.P.; John J. McCarthy, J.P., and John P. MacAvin, T.C., secretary.

The scrutineers presented the result of the ballot for a committee of 24 members. The following were declared elected:—Messrs. Patrick Barry, Maynooth; Michael Beattie, Dublin; David Bordekin, Manchester; Matthew Bruton, Ravensdale, Leixlip; Frank Coffey, Cork; John J. Coonihan, New Lawn, Donabate; Michael Cuddy, Dublin; John P. Cuffe, J.P., Swords; L. S. Cuffe, Dublin; James Cullen, Dungannon; James Ennis, J.P., Balbriggan; William Field, M.P., Blackrock; James Ganly, Dublin; James Griffin, Skerries; Edward Kennedy, J.P., Bishopscourt, Straffan; P. J. Kennedy, J.P., Co.C., Rathcore, Enfield; P. King, Joyce, J.P., Hazelrock, Westport; George H. Lennon, J.P., Enfield; John Leonard, J.P., Culmullen House, Drumree; John J. McCarthy, J.P., Court Hill, Dunboyne; Joseph O'Connor, Co.C., Mylerstown, Naas; Patrick Toole, Raloath; Wm. Waldron, Dublin.

Many complaints were received at the complete disorganisation of the trade during the past week as a result of the arbitrary action of the authorities. It was decided to bring the matter to the notice of Lord Rhondda, and to point out that there would be no cause for alarm so far as the meat supply is concerned if a scheme were introduced allocating to meat purveyors supplies in proportion to their previous trade, and adapting the custom and usage of the live stock trade to meet the circumstances of the present crisis. It was also decided to request that the flat rate of 30/- per head charged on Irish fat cattle for slaughter should be abolished, and that the freight on such stock should be paid out of the expense fund as is done in the case of Scotch cattle transported into England.

COMING EVENT.

Boys' Brigade, 14th Co. (St. George's).—The annual Parade Service will be held in St. Aidan's Church on Sunday evening next, at 7 o'clock. The preacher will be the Rev. Canon J. Godfrey Day, Vicar of St. Ann's, President of the Dublin Battalion and special hymns will be accompanied by the brass band.

At York yesterday Messrs. Lipton, Ltd., were fined £50 and their manager £2 for selling coffee at a price exceeding that fixed by the Coffee Order. It was stated that the defendants charged 6½d. for a quarter pound instead of 4½d.

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Five Last

The tweed dress and skirt lengths are from some rolls that came t[o ...] Monday's memorable drive on these goods, when the lengths [...] snapped up by enthusiastic buyers. The serge lengths are absolu[...] and the two supporting lots of neckwear and belts contain number[...] These five leaders are all

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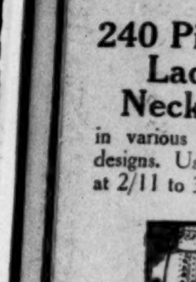
240 Pieces of Ladies' Neckwear in various shapes and designs. Usually priced at 2/11 to 3/6



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65 Dress Length[s] Scotch tweed, 5¼ yds. each, double 42in. in grey and brown mixtures o[f ...] Offered for Cash Sale To-day at 13/[...]

45 Skirt Lengths 3½ yds. of same quality tweed Offered for Cash Sale To-day at 8/11

We cannot give any further quantities of these listed above, so come early to have a[...] Last Day Sale Reductions prevail in [...]

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BRITISH-AMERICAN TOBACCO COMPA[NY]

NOTICE OF DIVIDENDS TO HOLDERS OF WARRANTS TO BEARER FOR SHARES.

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Five Last Leaders

The tweed dress and skirt lengths are from some rolls that came to hand too late for inclusion in last Monday's memorable drive on these goods, when the lengths offered on that day were eagerly snapped up by enthusiastic buyers. The serge lengths are absolutely guaranteed by us as to dye—and the two supporting lots of neckwear and belts contain numbers of surprises for the early comers. These five leaders are all

Offered for Cash Sale To-day (Friday)

240 Pieces of Ladies' Neckwear in various shapes and designs. Usually priced at 2/11 to 3/6

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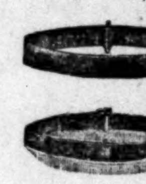
30 Dozen Ladies' Belts Various plain and fancy styles — leather, web elastic, etc., in an assortment of plain, leather, and oxidised buckles. These belts would be good value to-day at 1/6 to 2/-



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All Goods in the Maids' and Children's Department have been radically reduced to clear. All garments are of the latest fashion.

Children's Coloured Coats, 18 inches to 26 inches. 18 inches, 4/6, 6/11, 8/11, 10/11 and 12/11.

Special Lot of Girls' Tweed Coats, 30, 33, 36 and 39 inches. Clearing at 10/11, 12/11 and 15/11.

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Rubber Capes, with Hood, 24 inches to 39 inches, 8/11 and 10/11.

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LONDON STOCK MARKETS LESS ACTIVE.

RUSSIANS IMPROVING.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.) LONDON, THURSDAY.

The Stock markets, as a rule, kept in good form during to-day's session. The favourable effect upon underlying conditions of the recent speeches of the Prime Minister and the American President is still apparent, but these have ceased to be important factors of stimulation as far as prices are concerned. Domestic Securities kept on the firm side under the lead of gilt-edged issues. Among Miscellaneous gilt-edged issues dealings were moderate and spotty in character, but the prevailing tone was firm, and a few Colonial issues rose ⅛ to 1, the shorter-dated descriptions being chiefly favoured. Bank of England Stock was marked up a point to 203.

RUSSIAN BONDS FIRMER.

In the Foreign market the firmness of Russians persisted, and reports of the almost certain permanent breaking up of Russia coming to hand from Petrograd had no depressing effect, though, if they prove true, difficult questions will inevitably arise relative to the responsibility for the Russian Foreign Debt. French Fives held firm at 79½, and Japanese issues tended forward here and there. Among South Americans, Brazilians were hardly so firm, in sympathy with the Rio exchange, but Peruvians were in favour. There was a certain volume of investment support for Egyptian issues, which ruled very firm.

Principal changes:—Rises—Peruvian Pref., ½ to 27½; Russian Fours, 1 to 45½; Russian Fives, 1 to 57.

HOME AND FOREIGN RAILS STEADY.

There was not a great deal of movement among Home Rails, which, however, were firm, with a forward tendency noticeable where variations occurred. As regards Passenger issues, Southern Stocks were chiefly favoured, and tended forward quietly from the start.

There was no increase of local interest in the American market, where unmobilised securities were again nominal and lacking in firmness.

Canadian Pacifics sagged to 159. Grand Trunk junior issues receded ⅛, and there were occasional falls of a point among senior descriptions, the Guaranteed Fours marking that loss at 52. Mexican Rails maintained underlying firmness, but the only quotable change was a fall of ¼ to 51½ in the 1st Pref. Argentine Rails ruled a trifle harder after yesterday's set-back, but quotable gains were few.

Principal changes:—Rises—Brighton "A," ½ to 60; London and North-Western, ¼ to 93; North British Def., ¼ to 14; South-Eastern Def., ¼ to 30½; Central Argentine, ¼ to 60; Entre Rios Pref., 1 to 68. Falls—Canadian Pacific, ¼ to 159; Grand Trunk, ½ to 9½; do. 4 p.c. Guar., 1 to 52; Mexican 1st Pref., ¼ to 51½; United Havana, 1 to 75.

INDUSTRIALS WELL SUPPORTED.

Business in the Miscellaneous and Industrial Market continued to centre mainly in a few groups of specialities. The general tone was satisfactory. Banks continued good in the face of the latest dividends. Parr's pay 20 per cent. for the half-year, making 19 per cent. for the year, against 18 per cent. for 1916. The London Joint Stock payment is 5 per cent. actual for the half-year, making 10 per cent. for the year. Many shares showed gains of ⅛ to 1. In the Shipping group, P. and O. Def. rose 1 to 335½, and Royal Mails, at 125½, also rose a point. Cunards closed unchanged at 85/-, after being over 86/-. Allsopp Ordinary, in the Brewery group, rose 2 to 37, but Watney, Combe, Reid Def. was hardly as firm despite the announcement of a 3 per cent. dividend, which is the first payment for some time. Brazil Tractions rose 1 to 47. Among Armaments, B.S.A. advanced ⅛ to 2½. Nobels, at 3⅛, were also ⅛ up. Lipton was good among Supply Shares, the Ord. rising ⅛ to 1⅝, while the Pref. at 15/6, was odd. Eastmans, however, fell off to 9/-. British American Tobaccos were active and firmer at 5¼ on the maintenance of the dividend, which, moreover, is paid without income tax deduction, and therefore represents an increase upon last year's payment.

MINING MARKET GOOD.

Mines preserved a good undertone, but business, generally speaking, was hardly so brisk. Kaffirs maintained their firmness, and the Far Eastern group displayed good resistance to scattered realising. Rhodesians and Diamonds ruled slow. In the Westralian section conditions were slow, but Russian Shares were disposed to level up. A reaction of £2 10/- per ton in the price of tin metal had little influence upon Tin Shares in view of the extent of the recent recovery.

RUBBER SHARE MARKET REVIEW.

The "spot" price of rubber is lower on the week at 2/5 per lb., but as a result of the arrangements which are being made by the leading companies for restriction of output rates have already begun to harden in the East, whilst an improved demand for "forward" rubber is also a satisfactory feature. Business has not been upon a large scale in the Share Market, but a persistent inquiry for good shares continues, and many quotations show a further rise on the week. Anglo-Dutch have receded to 34/3. Bah Tiga are 35/-, while Brieh have been done higher at 87/6, and Bukit Kajang up to 76/10½. Carey United at 46/3. Glenshiel are rather wanted at 65, and Glen Bervie show business at 61/10½, while Hauriette have changed hands up to 44/9. Langen Java have had a further rise to 45/-, and Ledbury have advanced to 60/-. Merlimau are now wanted at the price. Meriau have been done around 6/1¼, and North Hummock are a strong feature at 90/-. Rubber Trust are very steady at 29/6. Semenyih have been done at 6/1½, Serdang Central at 46/3, and Sialang up to 71/3. Straits Bertam are 7/- bid, and Sungei Buaya show improvement, with dealings at 50/-. Sungei Krian Pref. have been done at 59/6, and there are likely to improve further. There are buyers of Tremelbye at 5⅛, after dealings up to 5⅜. Telogoredjo have changed hands during the week in the neighbourhood of 47/-. In the Borneo group Beaufort have been done as high as 26/-, and Lamag at 1/4½, but Langkon are a trifle easier, with business at 22/6 and 22/9. Lok Kawi have hardened to 25/- bid, and Sekong have been freely bought up to 22/9 c.d.

OIL SHARES MAINTAINED.

Oil Shares preserved a quietly firm appearance. Anglo-Egyptian "B" Shares rallied to 27/10½. Lobitos eased to 42/3.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

BANK OF IRELAND.—10 per cent. per annum, with £100,000 transferred to "rest," and £42,055 forward, compared with the same dividend a year ago, when £100,000 from the half-year's profits, and £100,000 from reserve were appropriated to provide for depreciation of investments, and £26,318 forward.

PALATINE BANK.—Further dividend of 2/6 per share, making 5 per cent. for the year.

WILLIAMS DEACONS BANK.—A final dividend of 14 per cent. per annum, less tax, declared.

MANCHESTER DISTRICT BANK.—Final dividend at the rate of 17½ per cent.

UNITED TOBACCO.—Final dividend, free of income tax, on Ord. of 5 per cent. (making 25 per cent. for the year).

EASTERN SMELTING.—10 per cent. per annum on the Preferred Ordinary Shares, also dividend of 10 per cent. on the Ord. Shares.

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK.—A final dividend of 15/- per share, less tax, being at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, declared.

WEST YORKSHIRE BANK.—Dividend of 16/- per share for the half-year ended 31st December last, making 13½ per cent. for the year, subject to income tax.

PARR'S BANK.—Dividend for the past half-year at the rate of 20 per cent. per annum, subject to tax, making 19 per cent. for the year declared.

RIVER PLATE AND GENERAL INVESTMENT TRUST CO.—Final dividend of 6 per cent. on the Def. Stock, less tax, declared, making, with the interim dividend, 10 per cent. for the year.

VIRGINIA (CAROLINA) CHEMICAL CO.—Quarterly dividend of 2 per cent. on the Pref. Stock declared, also a dividend of 75 cents per share on the Common Stock, payable February 1st.

ROHILKUND AND KUMAON RAILWAY.—Final dividend for the year ended September 30, 1917, of 5 per cent., together with a bonus of 1 per cent. on the Ord. Stock.

WATNEY COMBE.—Dividend at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum on the Ord. Shares, and at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum on the Def. Shares declared.

BRITISH AMERICAN TOBACCO CO.—The directors have decided to pay on the 31st inst., with the final dividend of 6 per cent. for the past year, a first interim dividend of 6 per cent. for the year 1917-18 on the Ord. Shares, both free of British income tax, payable on and after 31st instant, as per notice in another column.

LONDON COUNTY AND WESTMINSTER BANK.—The directors of the London County and Westminster Bank, after making provision for bad and doubtful debts, appropriating £460,500 to contingency fund (investments and foreign securities), and £100,000 to bank premises account, have declared a dividend of 10 per cent. for the last half-year, less income tax, making a total distribution of 19 per cent. for the year 1917, leaving a balance of about £184,600 to be carried forward.

MUNSTER AND LEINSTER BANK, LIMITED.

The balance sheet of the Munster and Leinster Bank for the half-year ended 31st December last, which we publish to-day in another column, affords marked evidence of the continued prosperity of the institution, and the striking development of the bank's business in the year 1917. The total of the deposits now amounts to £11,714,400, an increase of no less than £2,656,000 on the figures shown in the balance sheet for the corresponding half-year in 1916. Further comparison with the sheet issued twelve months ago discloses a very substantial increase in the bank's holding of cash and immediately convertible securities, the present total of liquid assets being £8,231,500, a figure which represents 70 per cent. of the bank's entire liability to its clients. The requirements of the bank's customers have, as heretofore, evidently been dealt with in generous fashion, as the total of advances on overdrafts and bills is shown as £3,969,000. The Reserve Fund stands at £315,000, a figure which exceeds the paid-up capital by £115,000. Owing to the very satisfactory earnings for the past half-year, the Board are able to recommend the payment of an increased dividend at the rate of 17 per cent. per annum, less income tax; the addition of a further sum of £20,000 to the Reserve Fund; the allocation of £5,000 in reduction of bank premises account, carrying forward the enhanced balance of £18,000 to the next account. It will be noted that all the bank's investments have been written down to the prices current on 31st December, 1917.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

Bank Rate (changed April 5, 1917) ......5 p.c.

There was no alteration in the Bank rate. The Money Market preserved its somewhat harder appearance, and the shrinkage of nearly 35 millions in market funds during the week shown by the Bank return was even larger than had been expected. There was a good demand for call money at 3½ to 3½ per cent., the rate not ranging below the former figure. Weekly advances fetched 3½ to 3¾ per cent. The tendency of the Discount Market was also firmer, though the volume of paper on offer rather tends to contract than expand. There was no variation in rates for secondhand Treasury bills.

The New York exchange remained at 4.76 7/16 to 4.76 1/2.

Spot silver was unaltered at 43½d. per oz.

On "Change rates on France, Italy, Russia, and Scandinavia moved against this country. Spanish and Dutch currencies slightly depreciated in value.

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN.

WEEK ENDING JANUARY 9, 1918.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

Notes issued	£76,358,790	Govt. Debt	£11,015,100
		Other Sec'ties	7,434,900
		Gold Coin and Bullion	57,908,790
	£76,358,790		£76,358,790

BANKING DEPARTMENT.

Proprietors' Capital	£14,553,000	Government Securities	£56,868,170
Rest	3,360,805	Other Securities	90,661,200
Public deposits	37,898,589	Notes	30,655,660
Other	123,533,523	Gold & Silver Coin	1,169,876
7-day & other Bills	8,989		
	£179,354,906		£179,354,906

Compared with last week:	Increase.	Decrease.
Circulation (excluding 7-day and other Bills)	—	£887,890
Public Deposits	5,823,687	—
Other Deposits	—	34,877,803
Government Securities	—	15,955,600
Other Securities	—	15,819,523
Bullion	—	120,174
Rest	39,380	—
Reserve	767,716	—

Proportion of Reserve to Liabilities, 19·7% against 16·3% last week.

The following shews the position of the Bank of England now and during the previous two years:—

	1918.	1917.	1916.
Circulation (excluding 7-day and other bills)	45,703,130	39,016,540	34,338,495
Public Deposits	37,898,589	49,529,490	53,653,033
Other do.	123,533,523	130,248,009	104,076,253
Gvt. Sec'ties	56,868,170	120,273,560	32,839,377
Other do.	90,661,200	42,584,303	107,360,566
Reserve of notes & coin	31,825,536	34,898,022	35,413,339
Coin and bullion	59,078,666	55,464,562	51,301,834
Reserve to Liabilities	19¾%	19¾%	22⅝%
Bank Rate	5%	6%	5%
Consols	55⅜	54	59
Bar Silver	45½d.	36¼d.	27d.
Clearing-house return	485,056,000	376,702,000	296,894,000

BIRMINGHAM CYCLE SHARE MARKET IRREGULAR.

Fair business, and movements irregular. Humbers recovering; Rudges and Sunbeams lower; Components and Belsize easier; Darracqs and Swifts further hardened.

	s.	d.		s.	d.
Belsize	27	0	Rudges	50	0
Components	25	0	Singers	59	6
Do. Def.	15	0	Stars	30	0
Do. Pref.	26	0	Sunbeams	79	6
Darracq	35	6	Swifts	23	9
Dennis	38	0	Triumphs	41	6
Enfields	31	10½	Parent Ord.	55	1½
Humbers	21	6	Do. Def.	54	0
Do. Pref.	18	7½	Dunlops	58	6
Premiers	1	10½	Do. Pref.	20	1½
Rolls Royce	64	9	Small Arms	54	6
Rovers	65	9			

RUBBER OUTPUTS FOR DECEMBER.

Pelepah Valley, 23,000 lbs. (31,200); Clovelly, 8,700 lbs. (9,600); Siginting, 16,000 lbs. (12,500); Kota Tinggi, 20,000 lbs. (14,000); Burma Development, 7,450 lbs.; Telogoredjo United, 8,700 lbs. (55,000); Trekoy Rubber, 33,488 lbs. (32,412); Sampang, 186,046 lbs. (136,301); Soconusco, 894 lbs. (2,691).

(Figures for December, 1916, are given in parentheses.)

TRAFFIC RECEIPTS.

Railways.—Last Week—Argentine Transandine, £1,350 increase. November 10—Costa Rica, £2,838 decrease. November 17—Costa Rica, £2,214 decrease. November 24—Costa Rica, £2,643 decrease. December 29—Bombay, Baroda and Central India, Rs.161,000 decrease.

Major N. W. Wills Cole, Royal Horse Artillery, who was killed in action in France on Sunday, was a well-known cricketer, and first played for Lincolnshire at the age of 17. He was 26, took part in the retreat from Mons, and had served continuously in France for three years and five months.

BERMALINE BREAD. Sold only in Dublin by P. KENNEDY and Agents. Throughout Ireland by the Principal Bakers in every district.—(Advt.)

FINANCIAL NEWS

DUBLIN STOCK EXCHANGE.

THE GREAT DYE COUP. BUOYANCY IN CERTAIN TEXTILES. DUNLOP RUBBERS REACH RECORD LEVEL.

DUBLIN, THURSDAY EVENING.

There was a quiet, but steady business current in some sections of the Stock Exchange to-day. The notable news of the capture of the secrets of the German dye industry by British enterprise favourably affected certain Textile shares, particularly Fine Cotton Spinners and Bradford Dyers. Dunlop Rubber Ord. and Pref. were buoyant, but Parent Defd. fell 9d. to 54s. Banks and Great Southern and Western Railway Stock were good. The Funds were better on balance. Bank of Ireland Stock was firm on the dividend statement, but did not quote.

BANK OF IRELAND RATE.

Discount .... 5 per cent., 5th April, 1917.
Deposit .... 2½ per cent., 5th April, 1917.

BUSINESS DONE:—

Consols	(55) 55⅛	Prov. Trams (x.d.)	*19/-
5% War Loan	(93⅞) 93⅞	Parent Def.	(54/9) *54/-
Do. 4%	(101½) 101⅛	Dunlop Rub.	(96/-) 98/9
Exch 5% Bds. (Deed)	99⅞	Do. 6 B Pref.	21/1½ /3
Dublin Stock	(62½) 63	Pim Bros.	(5/-) 5/3
Hibernian Bk.	(4½) 4⅞	Todd Burns	(20/6) 20/6
Muns. & Leins.	(6⅞) 6⅞	Brad. Dy.	(33/6) 33/10½
Royal Bank	(12) 12⅛	Calico P.	(16/6) 16/4½
Dublin Dist.	55/6	Sew. Cotton	(57/-) *57/-
Do. Pref.	(94)	Fine Spinners	
Guinness	(30⅛) 30		(32/6) *34/9 35/-
Do. Pref.	(11⅛) 11⅛	Velvets	27/6
Marconi Ord.	(63/9) *63/6	Burke Pref.	80/-
Do. America	*25/4½	Eastmans Pf. (x.d.)	20/-
Do. Canada	11/3	Heiton Pref.	(80/-) 80/-
G.S. and W. Ord.	(75) 76	Thom Pref.	(37/6) 40/-
M.G.W. Ord.	(29½) 29	Dolphin Htl.	(28/-) 34/-
West Clare	5	Gresham Hotel	5⅛
Dub. Trams	(8) 8½		

*Odd lot.

The last business recorded is given in parentheses.

DEALINGS IN LONDON MARKET.

The following were the "markings" in active stocks and shares in London yesterday:—

3½ p.c. War Loan—86⅛, ⅛, 6, ¼.

4 p.c. War Loan—99⅛.

5 p.c. War Loan—93⅞ ...

Aerated Bread—35/-, 5/-, 5/-, 4/-, 4½d.

Brit. Amer. Tob.—105/1½, 2/3, 3/-, 3d., 3/-, 6d., 2/9, 6d., 3/3, 3/-, 6d.

Brit. Argen. Meat—21/10½, 4½d., 10½d., 7½d., 3d., 7½d., 10½d., 6d.

Brit. Oil and Cake—31/10½, 2/-, 1/6, 3d.

Dunlop Ord.—98/1½, 3d., 6d., 7/6, 9d., 8/-, 10½d.

Lipton Ord.—24/3, 1½d., 3/10½, 4/0½, 2½d., 3/9, 7½d. (ex bar.), 5½d. ...

Maypole Def.—20/-, 19/10½, 20/-, 19/4½, 20/3, 1½d.

Parent Tyre Ord.—25/-, 1½d. Def.—53/- (ex bar.).

B.S. Africa Co.—15/10½, 1½d., 3d., 1½d., 15/-, 14/6 (ex bar.), 15/1½, 15/-, 3d.

Rubber Trust—29/7, 9d., 10½d., 7½d.

Highlands Rubber—61/1½, 60/9½.

Linggi Rubber, x.d.—28/9, 9/- (ex bar.), 8/6, 7½d.

Armstrong—42/-, 6d.

Vickers—43/-, 1½d., 3d., 2½d., 3d., 3/-, 1½d., 3d., 3/-, 4½d., 1½d.

Workington Iron—29/1½d., 3d., 4½d. (ex bar.).

Burmah Oil—7⅛, ⅛, ¼.

Mexican Eagle—63/3, 8½d.

Shell—115/1½, 14/7½, 15/1½ (ex bar.), 15/-, 14/4½, 13/9, 15/1½, 14/-, 9d., 15/-.

Bukit Rajah—91/-, 9/-.

Marconi Ord.—62/9, 3/1½, 2/6, 3/1½.

Marconi American—25/1½, 5/-, 4/4½, 4d., 1½d., 3½d., 6d., 3d., 4½d., 3d., 1½d., 5/-.

City Deep—70/3½, 70/-, 1/3, 70/7½, 1/-, 3d., 1/-, 70/-, 3½d., 9d.

Government Areas—78/9, 6/6½, 10½d., 7/6, 6/6½, 7/6, 6/10½, 3d., 10½d., 6½d., 7/6, 6/10½, 7/9½, 6/6, 7/6, 3d., 7/-.

Johannes. Consols—18/1½, 17/6 (ex bar.), 18/11½d., 19/3½, 17/- (ex bar.), 19/-, 18/9 (ex. bar.), 19/1½, 3d., 3½d., 18/10½ (ex bar.).

Burmah Corp.—81/-, 80/7½, 1/3, 1/-.

Midland Bank—8⅞, 8, 7⅞, 8, 7⅞, ⅞, 8, 7⅞, 8, 7⅞, 8⅞.

County Bank—15½ ...

Rezende—96/3, 10½d., 9d., 8/1½, 7/11½, 8/-, 6d., 8/1½, 6/10½, 7/11½.

Springs—75/3½, 7½d., 4/4½, 5/-, 4/4½.

Sunbeam Motor—79/4½, 80/-.

Russian 4 p.c. Con., x.d.—46 (ex bar.), 4, ⅛, 5½ (ex bar.).

Russian 5½ p.c. Bonds, x.d.—58, 6, 9, ⅛.

Russian 5 p.c. Loan, New Coupon—56½, 6, 7, ⅛, 6, 8, 6½, 7½.

Allsopp Ord.—36, 7½, 7, 6, 7½.

Allsopp Pref.—49, ⅛, 7½, 8½, ½, ½, ⅛, ½.

Barclay—98/9, 100/-, 98/9, 9/1½, 100/6, 100/-, 1/3, 100/-, 2/6, 1/3, 100/-, 2/6, 99/4½, 103/-.

Benskin's Watford Pref.—67/3½, 8/9, £3 6/0, 6/10½, 7/6.

Watney—44½, 4, ⅛, ½.

Alby United Carbide—24/6, 7½d., 10½d., 9d., 3d., 6d., 3d., 4/7½, 10½d.

British Aluminium—32/10½, 9d., 10½d., 9d., 3/3, 1½d.

Humber—21/9, 3d., 9d.

Peek Bros. and Winch Pref.—83/9, 1½d., 80/-, 77/6, 8/1¼, 9/9, 81/3, 2/6, 3/1½, 9d., 80/-, 1/3.

Rolls Royce—63/3.

Reneo—21/9, 2/3, 3/-, 2/6.

Coronation Syndicate—2/10½, 3/-, 1½d., 2/9, 3/4½, 2/9, 3/9½, 2/7, 3/10½, 4/3, 4/-, 3/10½, 4/-, 4/4½, 3d., 1½d., 4/-.

Daggafontein—30/7½, 30/-, 1½d., 29/7½, 30/-, 3½d., 29/7½.

Knight Central—5/-, 4/10½, 5/3, 1½d., 3d., 4/9, 3/7½.

New Steyn Estate—4/3, 4½d., 9d., 5/3.

Broken Hill Prop.—54/-, 1½d., 3/- (ex bar.), 6d. (ex bar.), 4/3, 6d., 3/9, 4/6, 9d., 5/-, 4/3, 4/-, 6d., 5/1½, 6d., 5/-.

East Pool and Agar—17/9, 10½d., 6d., 16/4½, 7½d., 17/7½, 18/1½, 3d., 18/-, 3d., 4½d., 9d., 4½d., 9d., 15/3.

Geevor Tin—17/10½, 11½d., 18/-, 17/9, 18/3, 18/6 (ex bar.), 17/9, 16/3 (ex bar.), 18/3.

Russo-Asiatic Corpn.—63/9, 5/-, 7½d., 5/-.

BELFAST STOCK EXCHANGE

BUSINESS DONE:—

Lon. C. and Mid.	*5⅞	Parent Tyre Def.	*54/-
Lon. Co. & West.	15⅜	War Loan 5%	*93⅞
Belfast and Co. Down Railway Ord.	105	Shell Transport	£5 14/9
Coats Ord.	6⅞	Vickers	43/-
Antrim Iron Ore B.	47/6	Mex. Eagle Ord.	
Ulster Mar. Ins. Co.	14/3		62/-, 62/1½
B.A. Tobacco Ord.	105/6	London Co. and Westminster Bk.	15⅜
Cuthbert Ord.	47/6	Do. Fractions	
Lever 5% Cm. 1st Pf.	8⅞	Bolands	47/6

*Exceptional amount at special price.

MANCHESTER STOCK MARKET.

Textiles were again steady to firm, and Dyers were advanced 6d. Closing prices:—

Bleachers	20/9 21/-	Coats	6⅞ 6⅞
Do. Pref.	19/9 20/-	Sew. Cotton	57/- 57/6
Brad. Dyers	34/- 34/3	Do. Pref.	18/6 18/9
Do. Pref.	18/3 18/6	Fine Spinners	34/9 35/-
"Slabbers"	7/3 7/6	Do. Pref.	18/6 18/9
Calico Print.	16/3 16/6	Eng. Velvets	27/6 28/-
Do. Pref.	15/9 16/-	Do. Pref.	17/9 18/3

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPH.

An extraordinary meeting of the Edison Swan Electric Company, Limited, was held on the 9th instant, at which the resolution authorising the reduction of capital in the terms of the capital scheme of arrangement was duly confirmed.

CLOSING PRICES.

CONSOLS, COLONIAL STOCKS, ETC.

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MARKET REPORTS.

CATTLE.

DUBLIN METROPOLITAN CATTLE MARKET. North Circular road, Thursday, Jan. 10.

Although the beast market showed an increase of over 400 exhibits on last week's offering, the supply, nevertheless, was very moderate, and rather under the average for the season. Competition in the main proved very keen, and prices generally showed a further firming up. Sheep, on the other hand, were sent forward in abnormally large numbers for the time of year, and experienced a disappointing and depressed trade.

	Numbers on Offer. This week		compared with last.	Corresponding week of 1917.	1916.
Beasts	3,503	Increase	411	3,222	3,952
Sheep	8,666	Increase	1,652	6,667	5,822
Veal calves	2	Increase	2	4	9

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WM. A. WALLIS'S REPORT. Offices—17 Lower Ormond quay, and New Cattle Market, Dublin, January 10th, 1918.—The numbers show an increase of 411 cattle and 1,652 sheep. Extra good demand for prime qualities; good heavy cows especially in demand. Some prime small bullocks and heifers, fed by Mr. Graham, of Donadea, made the exceptional price of 78/- per cwt. Sheep shown in abnormally large numbers for the season, met a brisk demand at last week's full prices. Prices:—Beef, 60/- to 75/- per cwt., exceptional 78/-; mutton, 1/- to 1/6 per lb. Telegrams—"Transit, Dublin." Telephone No. 2503.—(Advt.)

P. O'CONNOR AND SON, Auctioneers, General Valuators, Cattle, Sheep and Wool Salesmen, 49 Queen street, Dublin. Market Report, Thursday, 10th January, 1918.—Brisk market to-day. Exporters well represented, few cattle remaining unsold and much improved demand for secondary sorts at prices tending upwards. Nothing proportionately continues to sell better than fat cows. We had on our stand to-day one fine lot of dairy cows, which made £40 a piece to a Northern purchaser. Sheep, owing to rumours of prices being controlled, not a good trade, and a tedious finish resulted. Telephone No. 535.—(Advt.)

REPORT OF MESSRS. BERGIN, O'CONNOR, AND CO., Cattle Salesmen, 11 St. Joseph's road, Dublin, January 10th, 1918.—Supplies—Cattle, 3,503—increase, 411; sheep, 8,666—increase, 1,652. Notwithstanding the uncertainty in the beef markets we had a better attendance of buyers, and a good selling trade was experienced for all classes of cattle; prices were higher than we expected, the demand for fat cows and bulls being exceptionally keen. The announcement of the Food Controller fixing prices for sheep was, no doubt, the cause of excessive supplies. A slow dragging trade was experienced at a drop of fully 3/- per head. Quotations:—Cattle, best, 70/- to 75/- and 77/- per cwt., live weight; secondary, 65/- to 71/- per cwt.; cows, bulls, etc., 55/- to 71/- per cwt.; sheep, mutton, 1/- to 1/3 per lb. Telephone No. 3860. Telegraphic address—"Approve, Dublin."—(Advt.)

JOHN P. CUFFE, Auctioneer, Cattle, and Sheep Salesman, 73 Prussia street, Dublin.—Cattle Market Report, Dublin, 10th January, 1918.—With an increase of 411 cattle at to-day's market, we had a much better trade. Good finished beef made fully 3/- per cwt. over last week. Other sorts much easier to sell, and an early clearance effected. Sheep, although there was an increase of over 1,600 head, fully repeated last week's prices. Best beef, 72/- to 79/- per cwt.; mutton, 14d. to 16½d. per lb. Telephone 4840. Telegrams—"Bullocks, Dublin."—(Advt.)

LONDON METROPOLITAN, January 10.—13 beasts and 746 sheep were offered from the lairs, and passed off with an active demand at fully recent rates.

BIRMINGHAM, January 10.—Only seven beasts entered, and no sheep. Poor supply of pigs, though the situation is quietly improving; there was a ready clearance at controlled prices, 18/- per score live weight, and 23/9 per score dead weight.

BRISTOL, January 10.—Beef in short supply, which sold at Government prices. Sheep limited; trade firm.

YORK, January 10.—A fair show of Irish stores, and a small one of English. Fair demand for cattle ...

LEVER'S DAIRY FEEDING and PIG MEAL. Binder Twine at Government prices. Agent: William Rourke, 36 North Circular road, Dublin. 'Phone 3617.—(Advt.)

COMPOUND CAKE for Sale at Regulation Prices.—WILLIAM HOOPER and CO., LTD., 11 Burgh quay, Dublin.—(Advt.)

BASIC SLAG.—We are offering Albert's make in equal quantities of high grade and low grade.—WILLIAM HOOPER and CO., LTD., 11 Burgh quay, Dublin.—(Advt.)

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GANLY, SONS, AND CO.'S DUBLIN CATTLE MARKET REPORT. Offices and Wool Stores—18, 19, and 20 Usher's quay, Dublin, Thursday, 10th January, 1918.—Finished beasts were scarce and in good demand, selling freely from 72/- to 75/- per cwt. (live), and choice lots making up to 77/- per cwt. Secondary and inferior sorts, of which the market was chiefly composed, were also in good demand, from 60/- to 71/- being the quotations. In the sheep department considerable caution was displayed by exporters, and more difficulty experienced in effecting sales at rather lower quotations. Store Cattle Auction every Thursday at 11 o'clock. Wednesday, January 16th—Two Farms for Sale by Auction at Usher's quay, at one o'clock—Brierfield, Kilbarrack, containing 104a. 1r. 21p., for T. Kelly Tighe, Esq., J.P.; and Roebuck, Crumlin, containing 35½ Statute Acres, for R. L. Blackham, Esq. Particulars on application. Friday, 18th January—Auction of 40 Tons Prime 2nd Crop Hay, at Roebuck, Crumlin, for R. L. Blackham, Esq., at one o'clock. For Sale by Private Treaty, Moatfield, near Athy, 266 Acre Farm, mixed tillage and grazing, held at moderate rent. Also, near Waterford, 600 Acres, in lots, subject to moderate rents. Telephone No. 216. Telegrams—"Ganly, Usher's quay, Dublin."—(Advt.)

GAVIN LOW, LTD.—Market Report, 50 Prussia street, Dublin, 10th January, 1918.—Supplies:—Cattle, 3,503—increase, 411; sheep, 8,666—increase, 1,652. With a better attendance of buyers, there was a good demand for all classes of cattle at an advance of from 2/- to 3/- per cwt. There was a large supply of sheep, which met a slow trade at lower prices generally. Quotations:—Best bullocks and heifers, from 70/- to 76/- per cwt., live weight; others, from 62/- to 69/- per cwt., live weight; cows and bulls, from 43/- to 74/- per cwt., live weight; mutton, 1/- to 1/3 per lb. Fixtures:—February 5th—Royal Dublin Society's Show and Sale of Pedigree Shorthorn Hereford and Aberdeen-Angus Bulls, at 50 Prussia street, Dublin. Store Cattle Sale every Thursday.—(Advt.)

R. AND J. WILKINSON'S CATTLE MARKET REPORT. Thursday, 10th January, 1918.—There were more cattle on offer to-day, but, with a better attendance of buyers, there was a good demand at firmer prices. There was also a large supply of sheep; trade somewhat easier, and the moderate classes more difficult to dispose of. Best cattle, 72/- to 76/-, and exceptional 78/- per cwt., live weight; mutton, 1/- to 1/3 per lb. Beasts, 3,503—increase, 411; sheep, 8,666—increase, 1,652.—(Advt.)

LAURENCE CUFFE AND SONS' CIRCULAR, Smithfield, Dublin, January 10th, 1918.—We had again a big supply of cattle, it being again quite apparent that there is no holding back stock in this country. Trade was good, with the tendency of values rather better for the second class article, and all sold. Sheep for the first time for a considerable period were not so good, an increase of 1,652 bringing our supply up to more than the demand, and some were unsold. Store cattle trade not well opened out yet, except for forward stores. Fat cattle, 55/- to 76/- per cwt.; store cattle, 55/- to 68/6 per cwt.; mutton, 1/- to 1/2 per lb. N.B.—Store Cattle Sale every Thursday.—(Advt.)

SMITH GRIFFIN, AND CO., 56 and 57 Prussia street, Dublin, 10th January, 1918.—We had an increase of over 400 cattle at to-day's market. Trade steadier, best bullocks making more money. Secondary classes and heifers a good trade at last week's full prices; a good clearance. Sheep increase, 1,652 head; trade steady for best lots at a shade less money. The rougher classes were 2/- to 4/- per head worse. Quotations:—Beef, 70/- to 134/- per cwt., or 56/- to 74/-, and extra finish, 75/- to 77/- per cwt., live weight; mutton, 11d. to 1/3 per lb.—(Advt.)

DUFFEY, MANGAN, AND BUTLER, Cattle Salesmen, 37 Smithfield, Dublin.—Market Report, Thursday, 10th January, 1918.—Increase of 411 beasts and 1,652 sheep. Very brisk trade for cattle. Late full rates well maintained, cows, in particular, being in very keen request. Sheep slower to sell; prices, however, not materially altered from last market. Cattle, live weight, 50/- to 75/- per cwt.; mutton, 11d. to 1/4 per lb.—(Advt.)

HANBURY AND POTTERTON, Smithfield House, Dublin, 10th January, 1918.—Numbers:—Cattle 3,503—increase, 411; sheep, 8,666—increase, 1,652. We had another very good selling market for cattle, at a further advance in prices. Sheep met rather a slow, tedious sale, at rates favouring buyers. Beef, for beef, from 72/- to 76/- and 78/- per cwt., live weight; others from 55/- to 68/- per cwt.; mutton, 1/- to 1/3 per lb.—(Advt.)

ARMSTRONG AND SMITH'S REPORT, 25 Prussia street, January 10th, 1918.—Beasts, 3,503—increase, 411; sheep, 8,666—increase, 1,652. With a better attendance of buyers, we had a good selling market for cattle at last week's extreme rates. Owing to large number of sheep penned, unless for early sales, prices were not quite as good as last week. Beef (best), 68/- to 72/-, extra, 76/- per cwt., live weight; secondary and ...

GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES.—BALTIC, Thursday.—WHEAT market quiet in the absence of offers, and prices nominal at official level. MAIZE firm. ...

LIVERPOOL, Thursday.—C.i.f. parcels of wheat and maize fairly active at late prices. ...

MANCHESTER, January 10.—A fair attendance, but business difficult owing to short supplies. ...

BRISTOL, Thursday.—English WHEAT in small supplies at Government rates, 69/6 to 74/6 per qr. No stocks of foreign wheat, barley, or maize. Good inquiry for oats, but restricted supplies curtailed business. Flour prices unchanged.

PROVISIONS.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday.—BACON—There was no relief to the scarcity of American bacon, shoulders, and hams, as the Government allocations for civilian needs continue on only a very moderate scale; orders on hand can in consequence be only filled to a partial extent, and full Government limits are eagerly paid to secure anything on offer. Irish sides also scarce and wanted, extreme rates being readily obtainable for all available supplies. LARD on the spot was offered very sparingly, and maximum prices were again bidding for prime steam and American refined, though new sales have ceased. CHEESE steady, and the Government allotment for January is promised for to-morrow on the basis of 50 per cent. of requirements. BUTTER steady, and going fairly into consumption at the controlled figures. Supplies still limited ...

DUBLIN POTATO, January 10.—Trade very slow and disappointing to sellers, but city prices remain at 4/3 and 5/- per cwt. for best country qualities delivered ...

DUBLIN VEGETABLE, January 10.—Supplies improved with more favourable weather; demand good. ...

DUBLIN FISH, January 10.—Small supplies of hook and country fish forward this morning, but two steam trawlers brought in just 240 boxes of mixed fishing; also on market, 35 packages herrings. ...

BILLINGSGATE FISH, January 10.— ...

GRIMSBY FISH, January 10.— ...

LONDON BORO' AND SPITALFIELDS POTATO, January 10.— ...

SMITHFIELD DEAD MEAT (London Central Markets), Thursday.— ...

	Beef and Veal. Tons.	Mutton and Lamb. Tons.	Pork and Bacon. Tons.	Poultry and Game and Sundries. Tons.
British-bred	121	251	18	49
Imported	398	45	7	32
Total	519	296	22	81

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CORK BUTTER, January 10.—No official prices.

PRODUCE.

LONDON, January 10.—Sugar unaltered. Coffee—Spot, good demand for finer qualities, and prices steady; futures quiet; January quoted at 62/3, March, 63/-; May, 64/3. Pepper and cloves steady. Sago flour firm. Rice in good demand. Beans and peas unchanged. Hemp—East Indian quiet. Shellac firm. ... Turpentine, 125/-.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday.—COFFEE—A steady market. RICE—Unchanged. LINSEED and COTTONSEED—Offers are few. PALM KERNELS—Allocation is fairly large from recent arrivals. PALM OIL and TALLOW are allocated by Government; consumers await distribution with eagerness. RANGOON BEANS—Government maximum, £43 10/- ex store, is the ruling figure. CASTOR OIL stagnant through lack of supplies. LINSEED OIL firmly held for Government figures; exports are quoted 62/- per cwt. COTTONSEED OIL—Refined naked remains at 75/- per cwt. NITRATE OF SODA—Prices purely nominal. TURPENTINE—Spot market continues steady, 125/- per cwt. is wanted. PETROLEUM—Refined oils show no alteration; former prices are in force. LARD—The scarcity is unrelieved, which effectually stops all trading. MANDIOCA ROOT—At auction 66 bags were offered, and found buyers at 30/- to 32/- per cwt.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR, January 10.—Market steady at previous prices.

LONDON METALS MARKET.

COPPER market ruled quiet and unaltered. Standard, cash and three months, quoted £110 to £110 10/-; electrolytic, £125 to £121. LEAD quiet; soft foreign £29 10/- to £28 10/- net. SPELTER—G.O.B. £54 to £50, as to position. TIN—Buyers were not so pressing as on the previous day, while moderate realisations led to a rather easier market. Standard cash changed hands at £300, and middle February up to £296, cash closing with sellers at £299, three months at £294 10/-; settlement price £298. 160 tons sold. No cable news received from the East.

MISCELLANEOUS.

LIVERPOOL COTTON (Closing), Thursday.—Sales, 3,000 bales. Futures closed barely steady, 4 points advance to 6 points decline. January, 23.44d.; February, 23.36d.; March, 23.13d.; April, 23.04d.; May, 22.87d. Imports, 65,252 bales.

WOOL.

BRADFORD, January 10.—Business in yarns for civilian trade is still very much restricted owing to the shortage of supplies of wool. The Board of Trade is not yet in a position to put forward a scheme for dealing with the situation caused by the stoppage of machinery. The Board is waiting for a lead from the Ministry of National Service. Until this matter is settled business must continue to be of a restricted character.

HAY AND STRAW.

LONDON, January 10.—A good demand continues for the limited assortment on offer, and prices ruled firm. Meadow hay, clovers, mixtures, and sainfoin, all 152/9 per ton, and straw, 52/9 per load, delivered.

MANCHESTER, January 10.—On the Produce Exchange there were complaints from merchants of short supplies, stocks being at vanishing point, and great difficulty being experienced in getting supplies released to 152/9; meadow hay, 142/9; straw, 76/3 to 81/3 per ton, delivered Manchester.

FEEDING-STUFF IMPORTS.

The importers of cattle feeding-stuffs are sparing no effort to bring to the notice of the Government the very serious effect the limitation of imports is having on the national supplies of milk and meat. The meeting, representative of all branches of the trade, recently held at Liverpool, passed strong resolutions of protest against the fixing of maximum prices, and country merchants and factors are supporting the importers by bringing these to the notice of their local members of Parliament. The argument of the importers is that the maximum prices now fixed will not allow purchases to be made abroad and offered here under a loss of from £4 to £5 per ton, and in consequence stocks held at the ports have already been largely depleted, and consumers are quite unable to obtain even a proportion of their normal supplies. Dairymen in the large cities complain bitterly that their milk output is decreasing, while a strong competition is arising for the output of country districts, which formerly supplied butter and cheese.

STORE CATTLE AUCTIONS.

MESSRS. GANLY, SONS AND CO.

There was a large entry yesterday, which included some very good lots of Shorthorns and Aberdeen Angus crosses. Although there were few cross-Channel buyers, a full company of home buyers attended, and a very good home trade was experienced for all classes at a further advance on last week's prices. Mr. Nolan's pollies were sold at £39 10/-, and made top live weight quotation, 71/- per cwt. Mr. Drewery's shorthorns made £30 5/-, Mr. Carr's shorthorns £26, and pollies £28, Mr. Gibbons' A.A. crosses £27 10/-, Mr. Ferrall's shorthorns £26, Mr. Keogh's shorthorns £23 15/-, Mr. Roundtree's pollies £25 10/-, Mr. Hinds' A.A. crosses £22, Mr. Kealy's shorthorns £23, Mr. Barrington's shorthorn heifers £28 10/- and £27 15/-, Mr. Keogh's shorthorn heifers £21, etc. With the exception of a few small lots of young cattle, practically everything was sold. In-calf cows and heifers were again a feature of the sale, and sold as follows:—£45, £41, £40, £39 10/-, £36, £32, £36 10/-, £35, £30 10/-, £30, etc., and stripper cows up to £30 10/-.

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The number of store cattle was about the average for this time of the year—450 head being offered. Keen competition was experienced for the best lots of aged bullocks, the supply of which was small. No difficulty was experienced in getting from 67/- to 72/- for this class. One lot of bullocks from Co. Limerick made £36 per head, or 72/- per cwt., and the same price per cwt. was obtained for one lot of choice A.A. crosses. Other lots of two-and-a-half and three year old bullocks made £29 10/-, £28 12/6, £27 5/-, £26. No good polly bullocks were offered, although there is a good inquiry. A large number of entries were, however, of young animals, for which, owing to the high prices of hay, there is but a moderate demand, and a few lots had to be passed. A number of in-calf and calved cows were included, and made from £18 to £37.

MESSRS. R. AND J. WILKINSON.

The demand for best quality store cattle was good at yesterday's sale, and somewhat better prices were realised for three year old bullocks, of which there were further good consignments from Counties Limerick, Tipperary, and Kilkenny, etc. The following are some of the highest prices obtained:—Bullocks £35 10/-, £32 10/-, £33 2/6, £32 15/-, £34 5/-, £33, £32 10/-, £30 10/-, £28 7/6, £33 5/-, £29 10/-, £27 5/-, £27 2/6, £26, etc.; heifers £30 15/-, £29, £25 15/-, £27 15/-, £25 15/-, £24, etc.

Our Portrait is of Mrs. Cook, of 5 Justice street, Aberdeen, who writes:—
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NOTICE OF DIVIDENDS TO HOLDERS OF SHARE WARRANTS TO BEARER FOR ORDINARY SHARES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Directors, in their Annual Report, have recommended to the Shareholders the payment, on the 31st January instant, of a Final Dividend on the Ordinary Shares for the year ended 30th September, 1917, of 6 per cent. (being 1/2·2·5 per share), free of British Income Tax, and have declared a First Interim Dividend on the Ordinary Shares for the year from the 1st October, 1917, to 30th September, 1918, of 6 per cent. (being 1/2·2·5 per share), free of British Income Tax, also payable on the 31st January instant.

Holders of Share Warrants to Bearer for Ordinary Shares will (subject as to the said Final Dividend to the same being sanctioned at the Annual General Meeting of the Company, to be held on the 24th day of January instant) be entitled to be paid the said Final and Interim Dividends on and after the 31st day of January instant at the Office of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York, 32 Lombard street, London, E.C. 3, upon presentation of Coupon No. 64 in respect of the said Final Dividend and Coupon No. 65 in respect of the said Interim Dividend, which must be left for examination at the Office of the said Guaranty Trust Company of New York, 32 Lombard street, London, E.C. 3, three clear business days (excluding Saturday) before payment is made.

By Order,
A. M. RICKARDS, Secretary.
Westminster House,
7 Millbank, London, S.W. 1.
Dated 10th January, 1918.

SPORTING NEWS.

RACING AT BAGDAD.

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BILLIARDS.

Amateur Championship.—Lieut. E. A. Hughes v. H. Evans.—These players commenced the second heat of the second round yesterday. Evans made splendid breaks of 106 and 60, besides 23, 20, 33, 24, and 45, but he was outpointed by a more consistent opponent. Hughes accounted for runs of 30, 25, 20, 21, 62, 43, and 24, and both men averaged nearly nine. Interval—Hughes (in play), 500; Evans, 491. At night Evans returned the good average of 12. His best breaks were 22, 34, 24, 28, 52, 22, 59, and 24. Hughes made 40, 26, and 27. Final scores—Evans, 1,000; Hughes, 765.

Inman v. Stevenson.—Inman again had the best of the play at Thurston's yesterday, scoring 780 to 346. He added his unfinished 95 to 187, and subsequently added 78, 51, and 222, reaching his points with 20 unfinished. Stevenson's best efforts were 53 and 68. Interval—Inman, 14,250; Stevenson, 8,657. At night Inman totalled 750 for an average of 50. His best items were 183, 158, and 170 unfinished. Stevenson only scored 70. Closing scores—Inman, 15,000; Stevenson, 8,727.

FOOTBALL.

ASSOCIATION.—Cheshires v. Cavalry Reserves.—This match in the competition for the Curragh Cup was played on Wednesday at Newbridge, and resulted, after extra time, in a draw of one goal each.

GOLF.—Castle (Ladies).—Monthly medals (stroke)—Class I., Mrs. Ramsey Birney, 88 net; Class II., Mrs. Davidson, 105 net.

IRISH CATTLE TRADERS' ASSOCIATION.

The adjourned general meeting of the Irish Cattle Traders' and Stock Owners' Association was held at the City Arms Hotel, Prussia street, last night, Mr. William Field, M.P., presided. There were also present—Messrs. John Leonard, J.P.; Francis Shortis, Edward Kennedy, J.P.; Matthew Bruton, Geo. H. Lennon, J.P.; John J. Counihan, Patrick Barry, Edward Crane, James H. Dunn, William Shaw, Thos. L. Smyth, J.P.; James Draper, James Cullen, Edward Keashan, Michael Beattie, John Creegan, L. S. Storey, Thomas Leonard, D.L., Joseph Dwyer, J.P., Co.C.; Joseph O'Connor, Co.C., Robert Craigie, J. A. Leonard, James Ennis, J.P., John J. McCarthy, J.P.; and John P. MacAvin, T.C., Secretary.

The scrutineers presented the result of the ballot for a committee of 24 members. The following were declared elected:—Messrs. Patrick Barry, Meynooth; Michael Beattie, Dublin; David Borden, Manchester; Matthew Bruton, Ravensdale, Leixlip; Frank Coffey, Cork; John J. Counihan, New Lawn, Donabate; Michael Cuddy, Dublin; John P. Cuffe, J.P., Swords; L. S. Cuffe, Dublin; James Cullen, Dunganoon; James Ennis, J.P., Ballybrigan; William Field, M.P., Blackrock; James Ganly, Dublin; James Griffin, Skerries; Edward Kennedy, J.P., Bishopscourt, Straffan; P. J. Kennedy, J.P., Co.C., Rathcore, Enfield; P. J. Kinsella, J.P., Rosebrook, Westport; George H. Lennon, J.P., Enfield; John Leonard, J.P., Colmullen House, Drumree; John J. McCarthy, J.P., Court Hill, Dunboyne; Joseph O'Connor, Co.C., Mylerstown, Naas; Patrick Toole, Ratoath; Wm. Waldron, Dublin.

Many complaints were received at the complete disorganisation of the trade during the past week, as a result of the arbitrary action of the authorities. It was decided to bring the matter to the notice of Lord Rhondda, and to point out that there would be no cause for alarm so far as the meat supply is concerned if a scheme were introduced allocating to meat purveyors supplies in proportion to their previous trade, and adapting the custom and usage of the live stock trade to meet the circumstances of the present crisis. It was also decided to request that the flat rate of 30/- per head charged on Irish fat cattle for slaughter should be abolished, and that the freight on such stock should be paid out of the expense fund as is done in the case of Scotch cattle transported into England.

COURSING.

KILTEELY MEETING—YESTERDAY.

Judge—Mr. P. J. Murphy. Slipper—W. O'Donoghue.

BRACELET STAKES—For 5 puppies.

Miss O'Carroll ns. Topper III. beat Miss Wallace ns. Mickey Play Fair; Miss Mulvihill ns. Old Style beat Mrs. Norris ns. Quite Friendly; Mrs. Collins ns. Graft, a bye.

SECOND ROUND.—Topper III. beat Craft; Old Style, a bye.

DECIDING COURSE.—Topper III. beat Old Style.

BALLINLOUGH STAKES—For 8 all-ages.

Mr. Lehane's Knocktoran beat Mr. ... Two-to-One; Mr. Dowling's Market Street, a bye.

DECIDING COURSE.—Knocktoran beat Market Street.

BALLINAGRANA STAKES AND LUNDON CUP—For 16 all-ages.

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CROMHILL STAKES—For 16 all-ages.

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ABBEYLARA MEETING POSTPONED.

Owing to the unfavourable weather conditions the Abbeylara Meeting had to be abandoned yesterday.

COMING EVENT.

Boys' Brigade, 14th Co. (St. George's).—The annual Parade Service will be held in St. Aidan's Church on Sunday evening next, at 7 o'clock. The preacher will be the Rev. Canon J. Godfrey Day, Vicar of St. Ann's, President of the Dublin Battalion, and special hymns will be accompanied by the brass band.

At York yesterday Messrs. Lipton, Ltd., were fined £50 and their manager £2 for selling coffee at a price exceeding that fixed by the Coffee Order. It was stated that the defendants charged 6½d. for a quarter pound instead of 4½d.

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SEASIDE AND COUNTRY.

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